

EXCALIBUR



1944

Calvin John  
" 47 "

John  
H. H. H.

9 man at altar

David Blood

John H. H.

Betty H. H.

McCart  
Arthur

Jim  
H. H. H.

Black Fish

Michael

John H. H.

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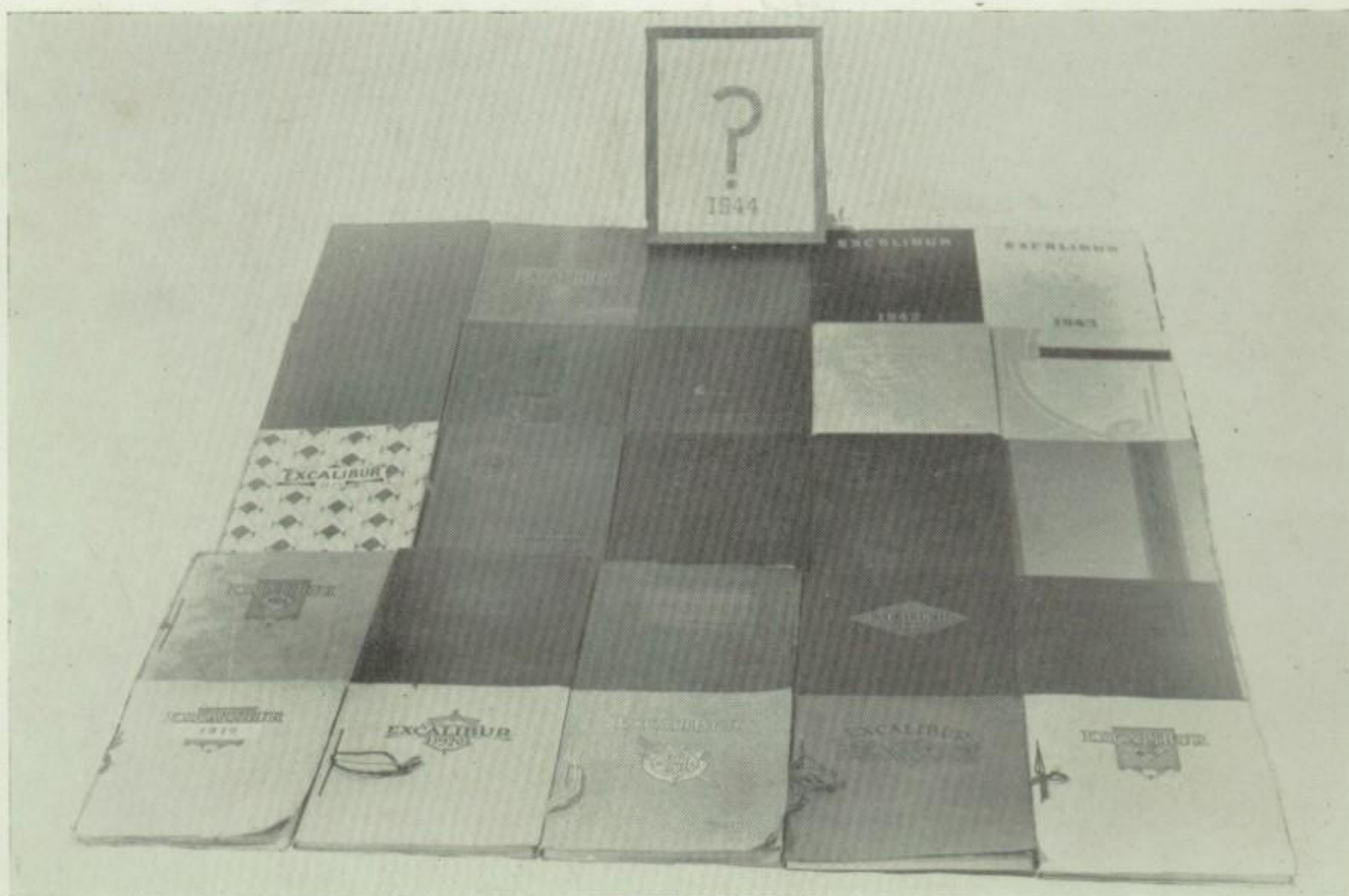
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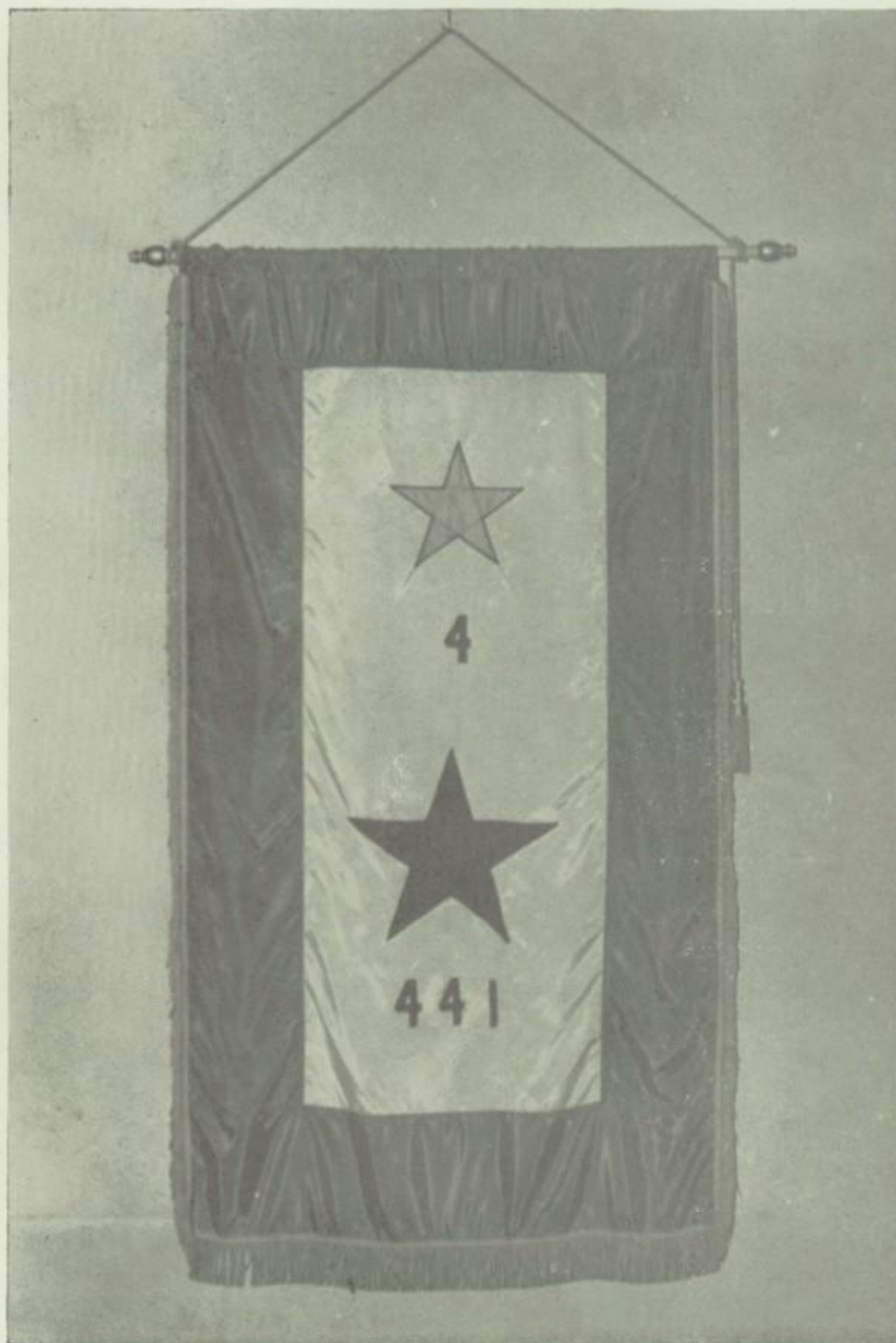
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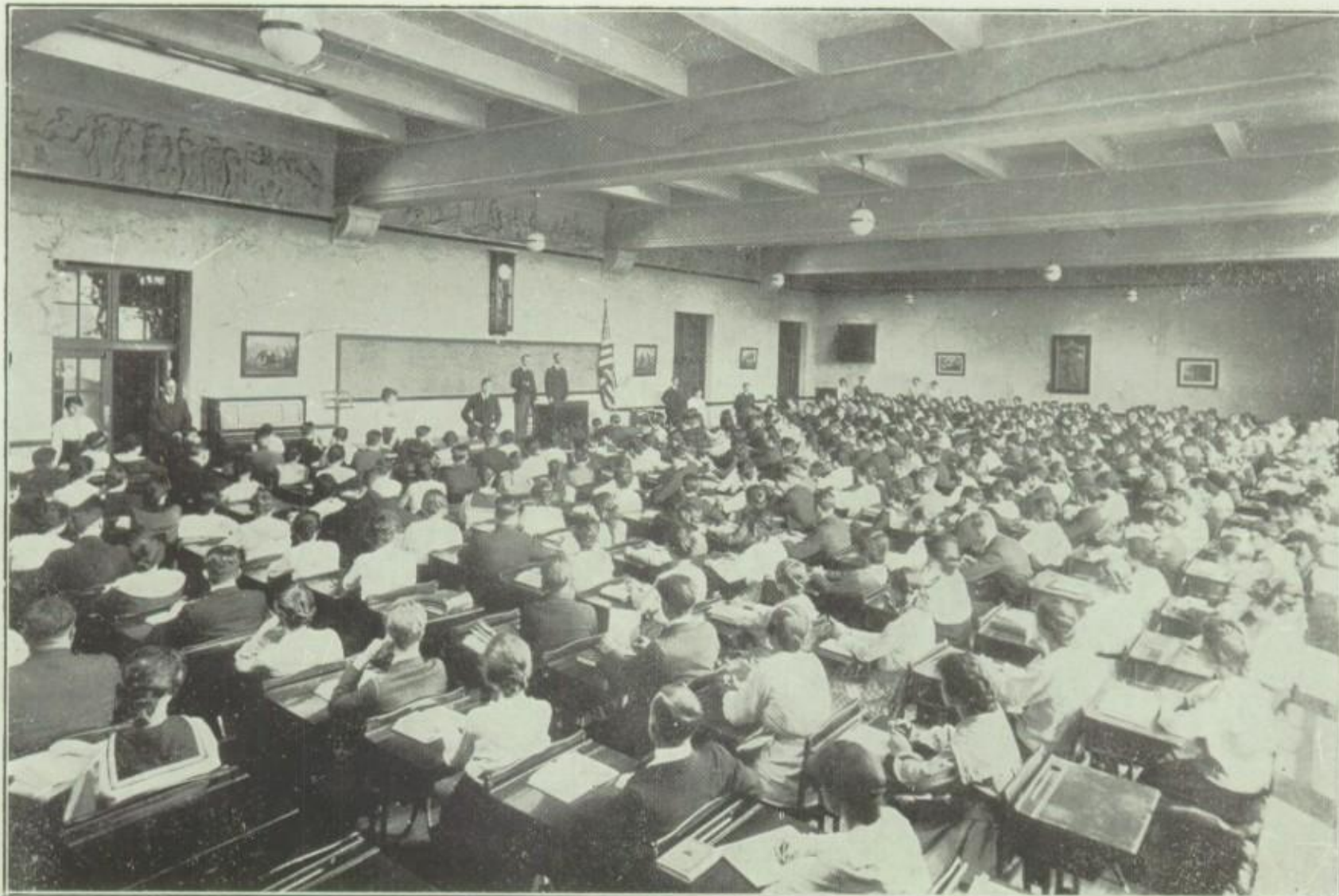
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The Excalibur is starting on its second quarter of a century. The above is an actual photograph of the twenty-five preceding editions.



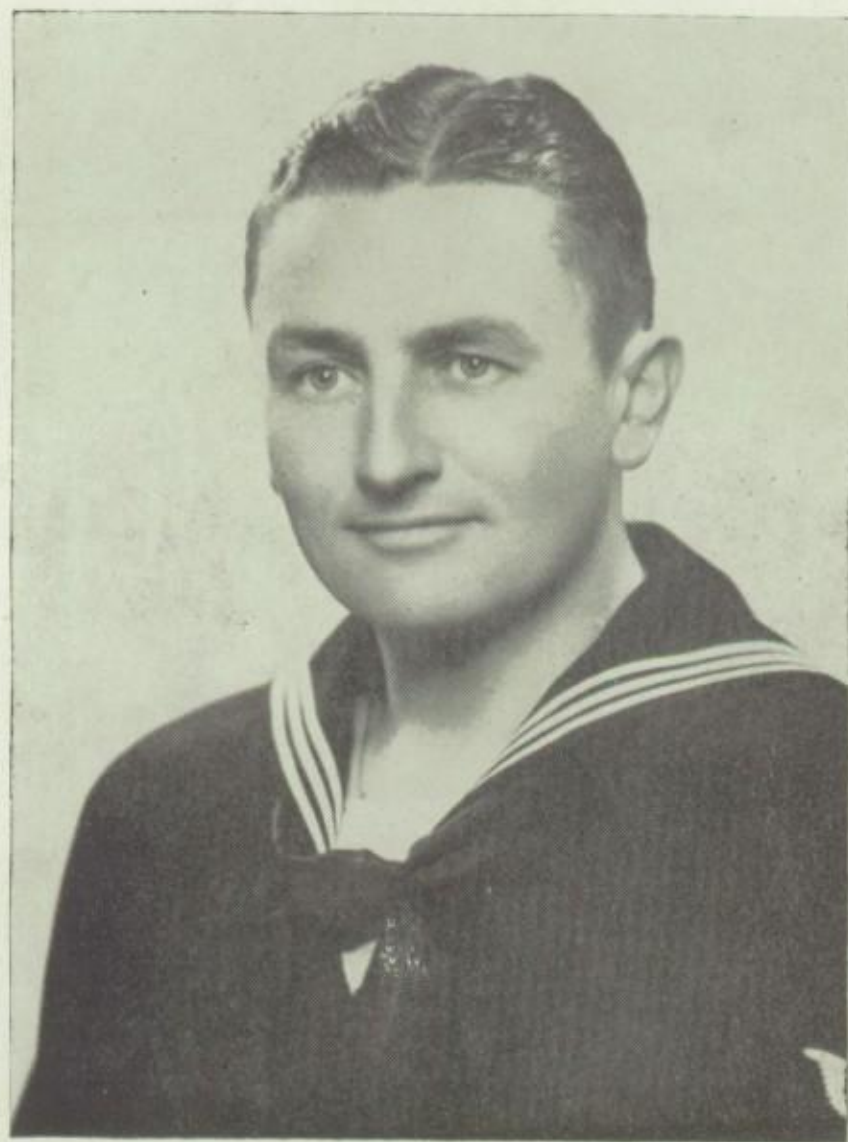
The service flag hanging in the Study Hall has been dedicated to the members of the Van Wert High School now serving in the Armed Forces of our country. May this page always remind us of the sacrifices they are making and the services they are rendering.



A REPRINT OF THE STUDY HALL AS IT APPEARS IN THE FIRST EXCALIBUR



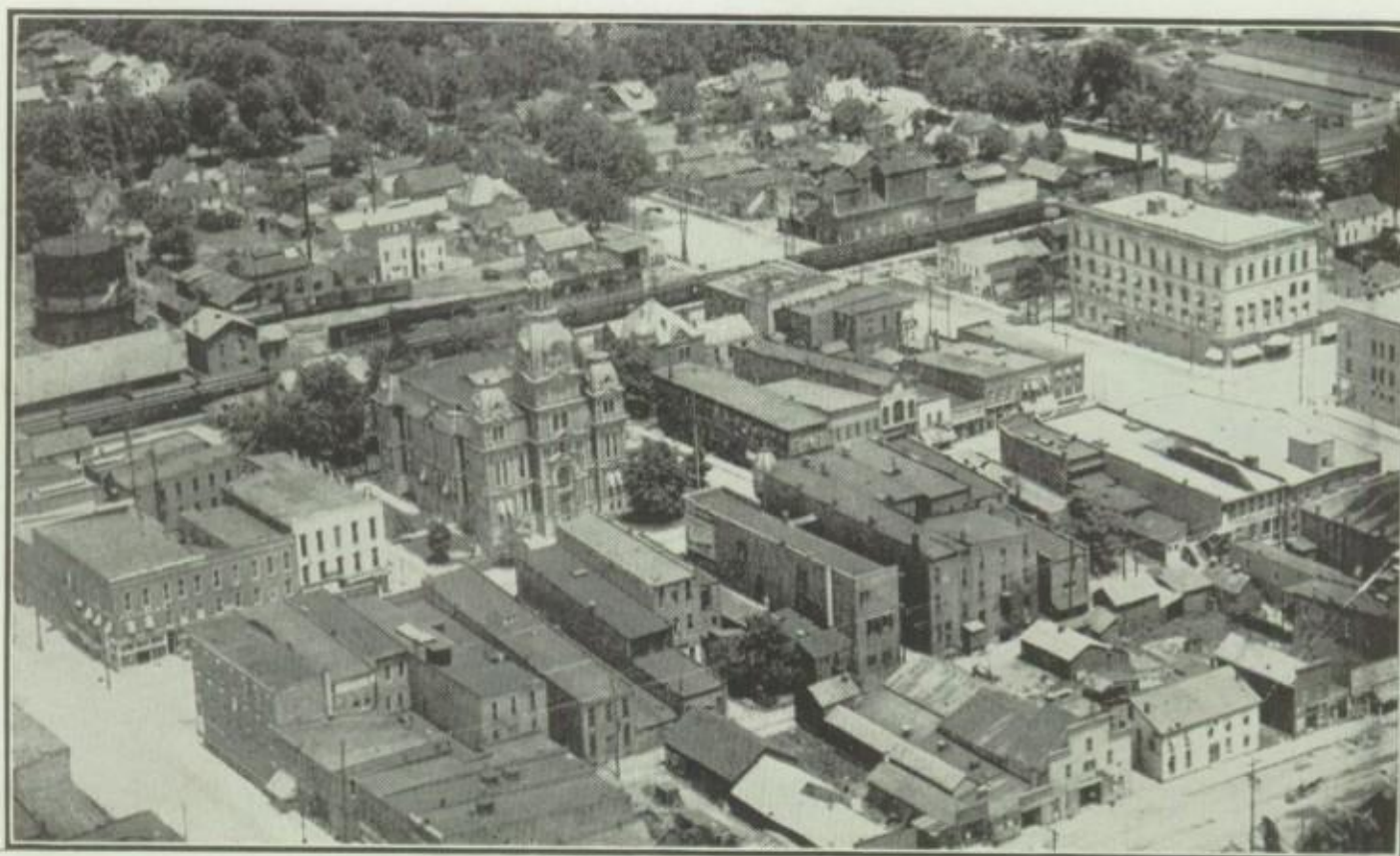
It is still the same Study Hall with the same clock on the wall. The seating arrangement has been changed so that the students face the west rather than the north. It will be interesting to observe what changes the next twenty-five years will bring forth.



## *We Dedicate—*

This twenty-sixth Excalibur to our teacher and friend, Gerald D. Bowen, who answered the call of his country and now is a member of the Seabees. He was a member of our faculty for eight years, teaching the social sciences and English. He was enthusiastic in his support of athletics and he also directed the Junior Class plays.

We also dedicate this twenty-sixth Excalibur to all members of the Class of Nineteen Hundred Forty-four who are now and who will be in the Armed Forces of the United States.



## TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO ... AND NOW

We present herewith the twenty-sixth edition of the *Excalibur*, which is the twenty-fifth anniversary of our year book. Time has wrought many changes during this quarter century, and as we prepared this book for you we could not help but wonder what the next twenty-five years will bring. There have been many physical changes in the school plant. For example, our present Superintendent's office formerly housed the kitchen for the cafeteria, which was located in the balcony. A few years later the kitchen was again changed and was found in the basement where the present girls' dressing room is located. Several years ago the cafeteria was deemed unnecessary and was discontinued. The superintendent's office was recently enlarged, now occupying a former classroom. A reference library has been installed in the east end of the Study Hall. A complete new indirect lighting system replaced the original lights, and now the dark corridors no longer exist.

These are just a few of the changes, not to mention curriculum advancement, new equipment, new sports, and many other almost imperceptible changes.

We hope you will accept this book and get as much enjoyment from its pages as we have in preparing it for you.

# Seniors





## CLASS OFFICERS

President.....	Vernon Palmer
Vice President.....	Clide Ford
Secretary.....	Doris Green
Treasurer.....	Marjora Fiser

## CLASS MOTTO

Today Decides Tomorrow

CLASS FLOWER	CLASS COLORS
Blue Morning-glory	Blue and White

The year of 1944 brings to a close four years of trials and tribulations for the seniors.

When we were freshmen we knew that we knew. As sophomores we didn't know, but didn't know we didn't know. In our junior year, we didn't know that we didn't know that we didn't know. And now we're seniors and we still don't know, but we know that we don't know.

The boys in this year's graduating class have distinguished themselves by playing on championship football and basketball teams. Clyde Coon, Clide Ford, Gene Bebout, Lloyd Miller, David Balyeat, Vernon Palmer, Richard Whitcraft, Jack Davis, Thomas Gallaway, Richard Showalter were on the football team. Richard Showalter was placed on all-state and Lloyd Miller (USMC) was given honorable mention on the same team. Gene Bebout, Clide Ford and Thomas Gallaway helped the basketball team to glory as district winners, the first ever for VWHS.

Seniors have kept the membership in the Girl Reserve and Hi-Y clubs high. Cabinet members in the G. R. from our class include Virginia Olberding, President, June Poling, Jackie Mahan, Barbara Schriener, Bonnie Preston, Eleanor Hall. About twenty girls from the G. R. aided in the fourth war loan drive by selling bonds in local factories, which was a great contribution to the drive.

The Hi-Y, too, is well represented with senior officers who are Allen Willmert, President, Vernon Palmer, Jack Clifton, besides a membership of about ten seniors. These two groups have done much in bettering the school and city.

This year more than ever before in the history of the school, students are working after classes and on Saturdays. The war is very close to us and we want to help in every possible way. Working seems a good way and our earnings are being saved and put into war bonds.

The senior members of the National Honor Society are Barbara Beard, Yvonne Leatherman, Earl Barson, Allen Willmert, Virginia Olberding, Dorcas Owens, Jack Clifton, Yvonne Gallapoo, Susan Gocke, Doris Green, Eleanor Hall, Mary Hofmann, Richard Ireton, Arthur Milligan, Mildred Richey, Bonnie Preston, Paul Ross, and June Waitman.

There are six boys from our class who are in the armed service and to whom, in part, this yearbook has been dedicated. Army Air Corps: Harlan Taylor; Army: Wayne Scott; Navy: James Miller, Harold Shaw, Elmer John Winters, Jr.; USMC: Lloyd Miller. Besides these fellows about eight more reserves are waiting call for induction. At least the boys don't have to worry about what they will do after graduating.

KATHRYN JOAN AGLER (*Jo*)

*A new girl to our school,  
And she's nobody's fool.*

G.A.A.; Girl Reserves; Excalibur Staff;  
Scarlet Quill Staff; Chorus 4; Girls'  
Intramurals; Choral Concert.

PATRICIA JOAN BAGLEY (*Pat*)

*A slide trombone's her dish;  
She plays it like we wish.*

Girl Reserves; Lyre Club; Band; Band  
Cabinet; Orchestra; Dance Orchestra;  
Home Economics Club.

SYLVIA RUTH ALBRIGHT (*Syl*)

*She's a lucky girl;  
Her hair is natural curl.*

Girl Reserves; Excalibur Staff; Chorus;  
Girls' Intramurals; Choral Concert.

GERALD EUGENE BAILEY

*He's quite dark, and my!  
He certainly seems shy.*

Boys' Intramurals.

ROBERT EUGENE ALLEN (*Bob*)

*He's quiet where'er he goes,  
And always on his toes.*

Lyre Club; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Prom Com-  
mittee; Orchestra 2, 3.

RUTH ALICE BALTZELL

*Alive and vivacious,  
It's happy she'll make us.*

Girl Reserves; Excalibur Staff; "Pride  
and Prejudice"; Chorus 1, 2; Girls' In-  
tramurals; Choral Concert; 4-H Club.



DAVID BALYEAT (*Dave*)

*They say he's quite a beau;  
At least some say that's so.*

Hi-Y; Excalibur Staff; "Pride and  
Prejudice"; Scarlet Quill Staff; V-Club;  
Chorus 2; Prom Committee; Class  
Motto, Flower and Color Committee;  
Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Boys' Intramurals.

DONALD PAUL BARBER (*Don*)

*This lad from 'T & I  
Is tall and dark and shy.*

EARL J. BARSON (*Bar*)

*He never lacks a pun—  
Has anyone got a gun?*

Hi-Y; National Honor Society 3, 4;  
"The Very Light Brigade"; "Pride and  
Prejudice"; Prom Committee; Boy  
Rotarian.

PATRICIA ANNE BAXTER (*Pat*)

*Miss Baxter is a blond  
Of whom we all are fond.*

G.A.A.; G.A.A. Cabinet 4; Girl Re-  
serves; Excalibur Staff; Scarlet Quill  
Staff; Student Council 1, 3; Chorus 1, 2;  
Girls' Intramurals; Choral Concert; In-  
vitation Committee

ROBERT LEROY BEAMS (*Beanie*)

*He's really a swell guy,  
This lad from T & I.*

Student Council 4; Boy Rotarian.

BARBARA LOUISE BEARD (*Barb*)

*Our editor is she  
And buzzy as a bee.*

G.A.A.; G.A.A. Cabinet 4; Girl Re-  
serves; National Honor Society 3, 4;  
Excalibur Staff-Editor; Scarlet Quill  
Staff; Student Council 4; "The Very  
Light Brigade"; "Pride and Prejudice";  
Chorus 1, 3, 4; Prom Committee; Class  
Motto, Flower, and Color Committee;  
Girls' Intramurals; Choral Concert;  
D.A.R. Contestant.

GENE BEBOUT (*Bee*)

*This lad in basketball  
Can beat them one and all.*

V-Club; Student Council 4; Chorus 2;  
Prom Committee; Basketball 2, 3, 4;  
Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Boys' Intramurals;  
Baseball.

GALE M. BECK (*Becky*)

*This boy whose name is Gale  
Is never seen to fail.*

Chorus 1, 2; Boys' Intramurals; "The  
Mikado."

JOAN BERNHEISEL (*Jo*)

*She's always on the go  
And never seems low.*

Girl Reserves; Girls' Intramurals.

MARGARET ANN BERNHEISEL (*Peg*)

*Wherever she shows her face,  
She livens up the place.*

G.A.A.; G.A.A. Cabinet 2, 3, 4; Girl  
Reserves; Excalibur Staff; Cheerleader  
3, 4; Chorus 1, 2; Prom Committee;  
Girls' Intramurals.

RANDALL BLACK (*Randy*)

*What would cheerleaders do  
Without his yelling too.*

Prom Committee; Football 2; Boys' In-  
tramurals.

JACK BLUE (*Pinky*)

*Although he seems quite slow,  
He's always on the go.*

Boys' Intramurals.

DANIEL A. BRICKER (*Bud*)

*Though short, a mighty man  
Is Mrs. Bricker's Dan.*

Hi-Y 3; Cheerleader 3; Band 1, 2; Prom  
Committee; Boys' Intramurals.

ROBERT DEAN BRUBAKER (*Bob*)

*Our cheerleader is Bob  
And always with the mob.*

Hi-Y 3; V-Club; Cheerleader 3, 4;  
Freshman Treasurer.

ROSE ELLEN BURLEY (*Rosie*)

*Though Rose may be her name,  
Her hair is auburn flame.*

Chorus 1, 2; Prom Committee; Girls'  
Intramurals.

KATHRYN IRENE BUSCH (*Kay*)

*She's shy and retiring;  
We can't help admiring.*

Excalibur Staff; Chorus 1, 2; Choral  
Concert; Home Economics; 4-H Club.

DOROTHY JEAN CANNY (*Dot*)

*Of talents she has many;  
Her instincts are uncanny.*

Girl Reserves; Lyre Club; Band 1, 2, 3,  
4; Prom Committee; Girls' Intramurals;  
Home Economics Club.

JACK KENT CLIFTON (*Jackson*)

*Wherever Jack will roam,  
He's sure to make a home.*

Hi-Y; Student Council 1, 2, 3, 4; "The  
Very Light Brigade"; Lyre Club; Band  
1, 2, 3, 4; Prom Committee; Ring and  
Pin Committee; Freshman President;  
Dance Orchestra 1, 2, 3, 4; Orchestra 2;  
Invitation Committee; Boy Rotarian.



## MELLVILLE COLE (Bud)

*He always speaks to you  
And never seems to be blue.*

## CLYDE COON (Coonie)

*In school and in football  
He's liked by one and all.*

Hi-Y 3, 4; V-Club; Student Council 1, 2, 3; Prom Committee; Ring and Pin Committee; President, Junior and Sophomore; Junior Class Play Committee; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Boys' Intramurals.

## LOREN COLLINS (Woodie)

*This lad is never sad  
And never seems to be mad.*

Chorus 1; Boys' Intramurals; "The Mikado"; Choral Concert; Baseball.

## WILLIAM COTTERMAN (Bill)

*We know Bill is sincere  
From everything we hear.*

Lyre Club; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Boys' Intramurals.

## JUNE I. CONLEY (Junie)

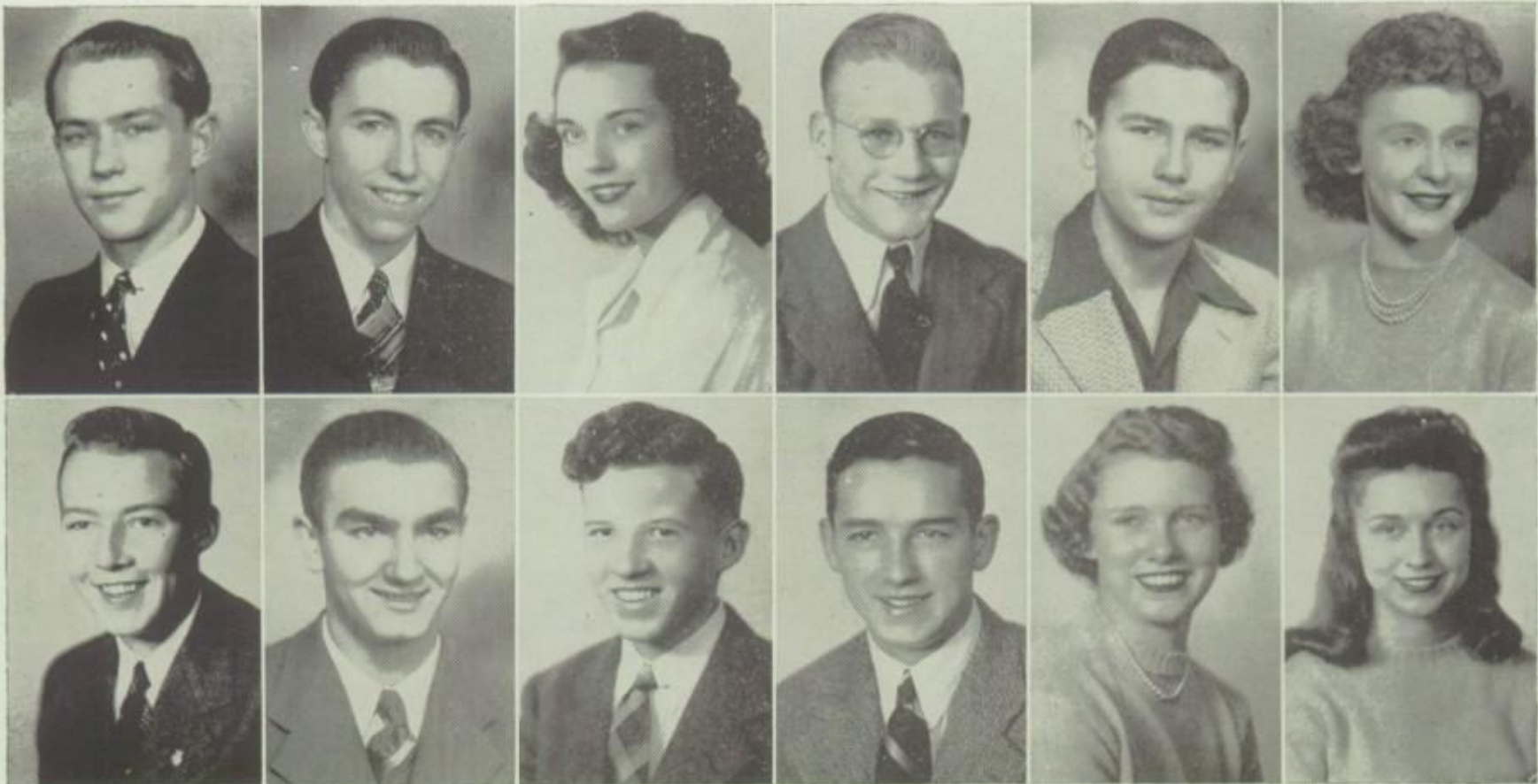
*Of all the girls we've met,  
She is the best coquette.*

G.A.A.; Girl Reserves; Excalibur Staff; Scarlet Quill Staff; Chorus 1, 2, 3; Band 2, 3, 4; Prom Committee; Freshman Treasurer; Junior Vice President; Orchestra 2, 3, 4; Dance Orchestra 3, 4; Girls' Intramurals; "The Mikado"; Choral Concert; Student Librarian.

## PHYLLIS CRYER (Pud)

*Her hair of brightest flame  
Is sure to win her fame.*

"The Very Light Brigade"; Chorus 2; Prom Committee; Girls' Intramurals; Choral Concert.



## ROBERT DAVIDSON (Bud)

*Just give a sax to Bob,  
And hear him make it sob.*

Lyre Club; Band 1, 2, 3; Prom Committee; Dance Orchestra; Football; Boys' Intramurals; F.F.A.

## JACK LEWIS DAVIS (Jake)

*His smile is quite gay,  
And that we all can say.*

V-Club; Chorus 1, 2; Basketball 1, 2, 3; Football 3, 4; Boys' Intramurals; "The Mikado"; Choral Concert.

## JAMES RICHARD DAVIS (Jim)

*Jim's an all right chap;  
We're sure he's no one's sap.*

Hi-Y; "The Very Light Brigade"; "Pride and Prejudice"; Band 1; Invitation 1.

## PAUL GENE DOUGAL (Mac)

*He's little with his might  
And has no fear of his plight.*

## MARY ESCHBACH (Eschie)

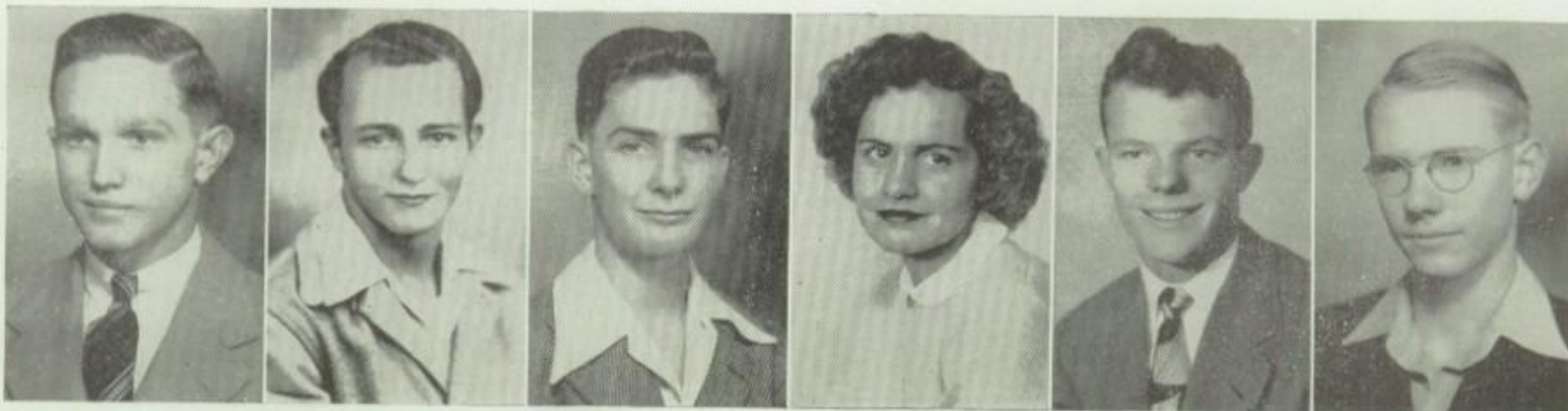
*Give her a basketball;  
She'll win acclaim from all.*

G.A.A.; G.A.A. Cabinet; Girl Reserves; Band 1; Prom Committee; Girls' Intramurals; Home Economics Club.

## MARJORA PAULINE FISER (Babe)

*A pretty lass is she,  
And sweet as she can be.*

Girl Reserves; "The Very Light Brigade"; Treasurer, Senior; Student Bookkeeper.



CLIDE FORD, JR. (Henry)

*Just look at Henry's head;  
You'll know his hair is red.*

V-Club; Prom Committee; Senior Vice President; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Boys' Intramurals; Boy Rotarian; Baseball.

GENE FOREMAN (Genius)

*He whistles like a bird;  
The best we've ever heard.*

WILLIAM O. FOX (Foxy)

*He's motorcycle Bill;  
He drives it with such skill.*

YVONNE M. GALLAPOO (Gally)

*Her eyes of deepest brown  
Are never seen to frown.*

G.A.A.; G.A.A. Cabinet; Girl Reserves; Excalibur Staff; Scarlet Quill Staff; Student Council 2; Chorus 1, 2; Prom Committee; Junior Treasurer; Girls' Intramurals; Choral Concert; Student Librarian; National Honor Society.

TOM GALLOWAY (Tom)

*A strong and mighty lad  
For that we all are glad.*

Hi-Y; V-Club; Prom Committee; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4.

PHILIP GLUTH (Flip)

*Flip's science quite amazes;  
It's sure to get him places.*

Hi-Y 4; Excalibur Staff; "The Very Light Brigade"; Band 2; Prom Committee.

SUSAN ISABELLE GOCKE (Sue)

*Accompanist is she  
For school activities.*

Lyre Club; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Band Cabinet; Orchestra 3, 4; Choral Concert; National Honor Society; Band Secretary.

HELEN JEAN GRANT (Fuzzy)

*She's tall and moves with grace  
And walks with carefree pace.*

G.A.A.; Girl Reserves; Lyre Club; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Band Cabinet; Prom Committee; Girls' Intramurals; Home Economics Club; Band Manager.

DORIS STEVENS GREEN

*An all around swell gal,  
She'll always be your pal.*

G.A.A.; Girl Reserves; Excalibur Staff; Scarlet Quill Staff; "The Very Light Brigade"; "Pride and Prejudice"; Chorus 1, 2, 3; Prom Committee; Senior Secretary; Orchestra 3, 4; Girls' Intramurals; "The Mikado"; Choral Concert; D.A.R. Contestant; Student Librarian; National Honor Society.

HILDA ROSENS GREEN

*At working she's not green;  
She earns her ways and means.*

Girl Reserves; Chorus 1; "The Mikado."

ELEANOR O. HALL (Ellie)

*As Alfred she's a wow,  
She tells you kids, and how!*

G.A.A.; G.A.A. Cabinet; Girl Reserves; Girl Reserves Cabinet 1, 4; Excalibur Staff; Scarlet Quill Staff; Student Council 1, 2; Lyre Club; "Pride and Prejudice"; Chorus 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Band Cabinet; Girls' Intramurals; Choral Concert; National Honor Society.

PATRICIA LOUISE HARR (Patty)

*She's good at office work  
And duty never shirks.*

Girl Reserves; Chorus 1, 2; Choral Concert.



MARY E. HOFFMANN (*Red*)

*Though quiet, shy, is she,  
A maid of first degree.*

Chorus 3; Girls' Intramurals; Home Economics Club.  
National Honor Society.

RUTH HOUSER

*At dancing Ruth's okay;  
She does it the right way.*

Chorus 2; Girls' Intramurals; Choral Concert; G.A.A.

ROGER S. HUMRICKHOUSE (*Roge*)

*In the Air Corps he is found;  
We hope not on the ground.*

Excalibur Staff; Junior Class Play Committee; Boys' Intramurals.

RICHARD JOHNSON IRETON (*Dick*)

*Is there something you want done?  
Just go to Dick Iretton.*

Hi-Y 4; Excalibur Staff; Student Council 4; "Pride and Prejudice"; Boys' Intramurals; Boy Rotarian.  
National Honor Society.

KATHERINE MAE JOHNS (*Katie*)

*She's small and dark and quick,  
For fun she can't be licked.*

Girls' Intramurals.

THELMA LUCILLE KIEHL (*Sally*)

*Sally's quite an athlete;  
Never a better can you meet.*

Chorus 1, 2; Prom Committee; Girls' Intramurals; Choral Concert; Home Economics Club; 4-H Club.



MARTHA KIMMEL (*Pat*)

*Forever taking pictures;  
Be careful how she'll fix yours.*

G.A.A.; Girl Reserves; Excalibur Staff; Lyre Club; Chorus 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Girls' Intramurals; Choral Concert.

CLARENCE J. KLAUSUNG (*Finnie*)

*Finnie goes with Minnie,  
But who could Minnie be?*

Boys' Intramurals; F.F.A.

ELEANOR LOUISE KLEWER

*Her pretty light brown hair  
Has caused us all to stare.*

Girls Reserves; Home Economics Club; Invitation Committee.

JOHN D. KREIDER (*Johnie*)

*Though Johnie may be shy,  
He catches every eye.*

Boys' Intramurals; F.F.A.

YVONNE DEANNE LEATHERMAN

*(Foocy)  
Though Foocy she was named,  
For that she can't be blamed.*

G.A.A.; National Honor Society 3, 4; Excalibur Staff; Scarlet Quill Staff; "The Very Light Brigade"; Chorus 1, 2, 3; Prom Committee; Class Secretary 2, 3; Girls' Intramurals; Choral Concert; Home Economics Club.

GLADYS FAE LEITER

*In her eyes a gleam  
Will look at you and beam.*

Chorus; Girls' Intramurals; Choral Concert.

FRED W. LILICK (*Fritz*)

*Of Fritz we can say this,  
He'll very seldom miss.*

Football.

RALPH L. LINTERMOT (*Curly*)

*Curly is always gay;  
We're always sure to say.*

Boys' Intramurals.

VIRGINIA MCGREW (*Ginger*)

*When one is feeling low,  
Her smile makes troubles go.*

G.A.A.; Girl Reserves; Excalibur Staff;  
Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Prom Committee;  
Girls' Intramurals; Choral Concert;  
Student Librarian.

JACQUELINE ROSE MAHAN

*She always wears a zoot,  
And in them looks mighty cute.*

G. A. A.; Girls Reserves; Girl Reserve  
Cabinet 4; Excalibur Staff; Scarlet Quill  
Staff; "Pride and Prejudice"; Chorus  
1, 2; Girls' Intramurals; Choral Con-  
cert.

REBECCA MANSHIP (*Becky*)

*A friend to all is "Beck";  
Not one would she neglect.*

G.A.A.; Girl Reserves; Excalibur Staff;  
Scarlet Quill Staff; Band 1; Girls' Intra-  
murals; Choral Concert.

VIRGIL L. MAXON (*Slim*)

*Something in Virgil's smile  
Gives him a special style.*

Prom Committee; Basketball 2; Foot-  
ball 1; Boys' Intramurals.

JAMES MILLER (*Jim*)

*Here you will not find him  
Because the Navy has Jim.*

United States Navy.

LLOYD MILLER (*Dummy*)

*Dummy is a Marine,  
The best that's to be seen.*

United States Marines.

MARILYN M. MILLER

*Although she isn't tall,  
She's nice to one and all.*

Girl Reserves; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Choral  
Concert; Home Economics Club.

ARTHUR VINCENT MILLIGAN (*Art*)

*Drum playing is his line;  
At this he's mighty fine.*

Hi-Y 3; Excalibur Staff; Lyre Club;  
Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Band Cabinet; Prom  
Class Play Committee; Boy Rotarian;  
National Honor Society.

JAMES H. MOORE (*Jim*)

*Though Jim is rather shy,  
He's a real swell guy.*

Chorus 1, 2; Choral Concert; Softball.

JOSEPH E. MORGAN (*Morgue*)

*Joe is quite a wit;  
He always makes a hit.*

Chorus 1, 2; Boys' Intramurals; Choral  
Concert.



## JERALD MUNTZINGER (Jerry)

*He's little but he's quick  
And always full of zip*

Boys' Intramurals; F.F.A.; 4-H Club.

## VIRGINIA OLBERDING (Ginny)

*Ginny's long dark curly hair;  
Causes many an eye to stare.*

G.A.A.; G.A.A. Cabinet 2, 3, 4; Girl Reserves; Girl Reserve Cabinet 2, 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Excalibur Staff; Scarlet Quill Staff; Student Council 3; "The Very Light Brigade"; "Pride and Prejudice"; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Prom Committee; Ring and Pin Committee; Class Motto, Flower, and Color Committee; Class Vice President 2; Girls' Intramurals; Choral Concert; D.A.R. Contestant.

## DORCAS OWENS (Dork)

*Though quiet is this lass,  
She always heads her class.*

G.A.A.; G.A.A. Cabinet 1, 2, 3, 4; Girl Reserves; National Honor Society 3, 4; Excalibur Staff; Scarlet Quill Staff; Student Council 2; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Prom Committee; Ring and Pin Committee; Girls' Intramurals; Choral Concert; D.A.R. Contestant.

## VERNON PALMER (Vernie)

*President is his rank;  
On him we ever bank.*

Hi-Y 3, 4; V-Club; Student Council 3, 4; Class President 4; Football 3, 4; F.F.A.; Boy Rotarian.

## GEORGIA MAY PIERCE (George)

*A deep voice has this blonde;  
Of whom we all are fond.*

G.A.A.; G.A.A. Cabinet 3; Girls' Intramurals; Home Economics Club

## JUNE ADELE POLING

*Yes, every one likes June;  
To our class she's a boon.*

Girl Reserves; Girl Reserves Cabinet 4; Excalibur Staff; "Pride and Prejudice"; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Girls' Intramurals; Choral Concert; 4-H Club.



## PAUL RICHARD POLING (Dick)

*Though not so very tall,  
He's liked by one and all.*

Boys' Intramurals; F.F.A.

## BONNIE LOU PRESTON

*If you are out for fun,  
Miss Preston is the one.*

G.A.A.; Girl Reserves; Girl Reserve Cabinet 4; Excalibur Staff; Scarlet Quill Staff; Student Council 3; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Treasurer 2; Girls' Intramurals; "The Mikado"; Choral Concert; 4-H Club; National Honor Society.

## ROLLAND RESOR (Reese)

*He goes to T & I;  
And he is quite a guy.*

Football 1.

## MILDRED RICHEY (Mid)

*She always does her best;  
To that we can attest.*

G.A.A.; Girl Reserves; Girls' Intramurals; Student Librarian; National Honor Society.

## BARBARA E. RISE (Barb)

*Her brown hair and blue eyes  
Are quite a nice surprise.*

Girl Reserves; Chorus 2, 3, 4; Girls' Intramurals; Choral Concert; Home Economics Club.

## MARCELLA JEAN ROGERS (Espy)

*In sports and cooking food,  
We know she's mighty good.*

Girl Reserves; Prom Committee; Girls' Intramurals; Home Economics Club; 4-H Club.

*Paul F. Ross***PAUL FREDERICK ROSS**

*Though new in school this year,  
We're glad to have him here.*

Hi-Y 4; "Pride and Prejudice"; Chorus 4; Boys' Intramurals; Choral Concert. National Honor Society.

**CORALIE E. SEVERNS (Corky)**

*An active girl is she  
And in the C. A. P.*

G.A.A.; Girl Reserves; Lyre Club; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Band Cabinet; Orchestra 3, 4; Dance Orchestra 4; Girls' Intramurals; Choral Concert.

**BARBARA SCHREINER (Barb)**

*Whenever we see Barb,  
She's dressed in different garb.*

G.A.A.; Girl Reserves; Girl Reserve Cabinet 4; Excalibur Staff; Scarlet Quill Staff; Prom Committee; Junior Class Play Committee.

**HAROLD SHAW**

*Now Harold is a gob.  
And not one of our mob.*

United States Navy.

**GAYLORD WAYNE SCOTT (Scottie)**

*The Drum Major was he,  
And good as good can be.*

United States Army.

**HELEN SHINDLEDECKER (Tecky)**

*Since Helen talks so fast,  
She never comes in last.*

Chorus 1, 2; Choral Concert.

**RICHARD SHOWALTER (Dick)**

*He's really great on line;  
We mean the football kind.*

V-Club; "The Very Light Brigade"; Football 2, 3, 4; Boys' Intramurals; F.F.A.; 4-H Club.

**IMA REBECCA SMITH (Becky Ann)**

*Though Smith's her appellation,  
She might upset the nation.*

Girl Reserves; Chorus 1, 2.

**BILL SIDERS (Apple)**

*A manager was he,  
And good as ever'll be.*

V-Club; Boys' Intramurals; Basketball Manager 1, 2, 3.

**GLORIA STAHL**

Withdrawn.

**ELLEN MANE SIGLER (Snooks)**

*She's quiet and petite  
And always very neat.*

Girl Reserves; Chorus 1.

**MARGARET ELIZABETH STETLER (Stet)**

*Although she's here in part,  
The Navy has her heart.*

Girl Reserves; Excalibur Staff; Chorus 1; Class Secretary 1; Student Librarian.



## JAMES E. STOVER (*Smokey*)

*Tall and dark is Jim;  
We are fond of him.*

Hi-Y 3, 4; Student Council 4; "The Very Light Brigade."

## RONALD B. STUCK (*Doc*)

*Since Ronnie's name is Stuck,  
He always has good luck.*

Chorus 3, 4; Band 1, 2; Boys' Intramurals; Choral Concert; Student Librarian.

## HARLAN TAYLOR

*This lad in basketball  
Could top them one and all.*

Army Air Corps.

## BETTY TOWSEY (*Bets*)

*This lass at basketball  
Did top them one and all.*

G.A.A.; Girl Reserves; Chorus 1, 2; Girls' Intramurals.

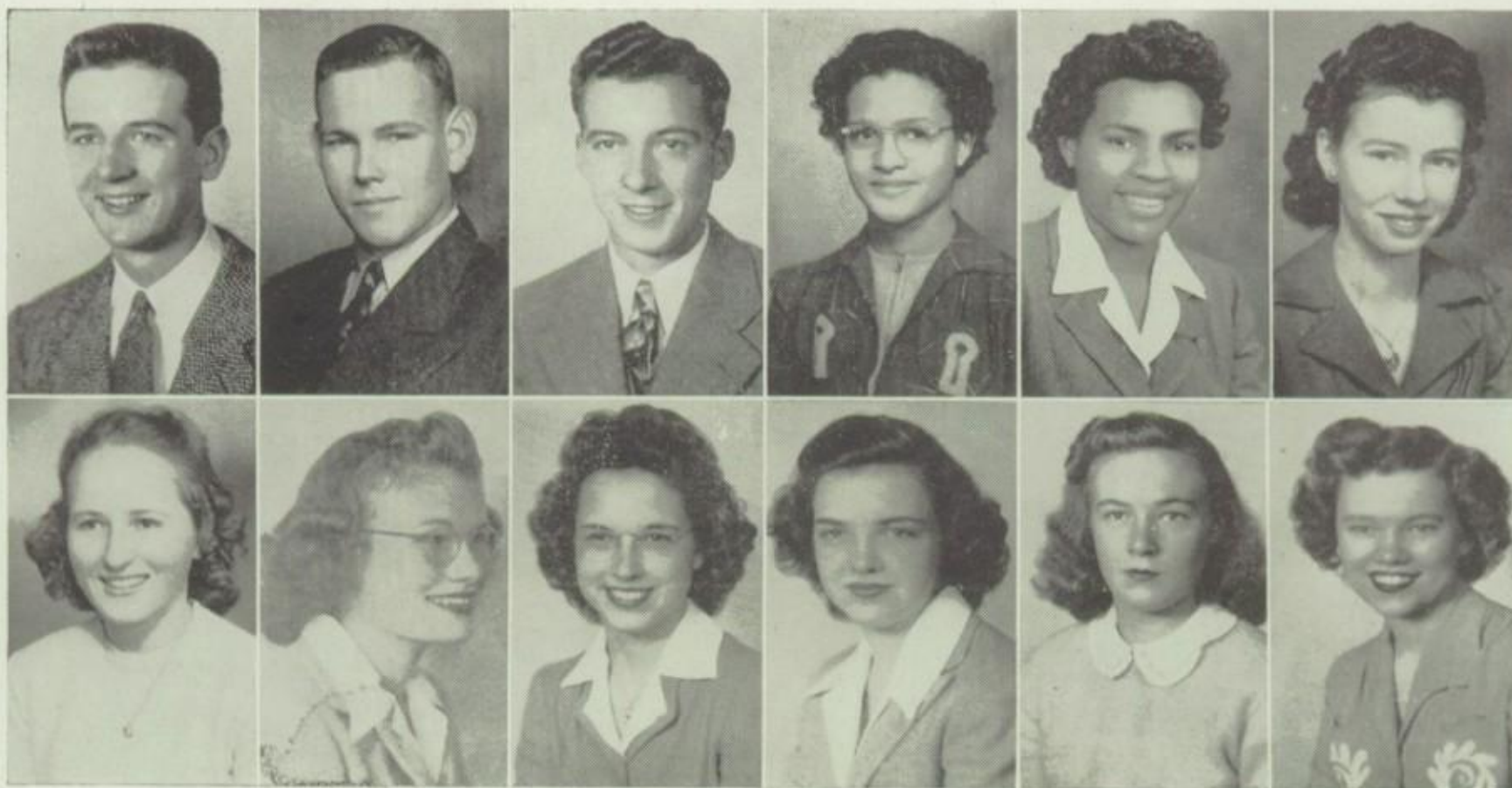
## MARIE TOWSEY

*In her there's no omission  
Of a friendly disposition.*

## EMMA LOUISE TRUAX

*She's quiet and she's sweet;  
To be nice is her meat.*

Chorus 1, 2; Choral Concert.



## JUNE WAITMAN (*June Bug*)

*At office work she's tops  
And never, never stops.*

G.A.A.; Girl Reserves; Excalibur Staff; Student Council 2; "The Very Light Brigade"; Chorus 1; Girls' Intramurals; D.A.R. Contestant; Student Librarian; Student Bookkeeper; National Honor Society.

## CORA MAE WALTERS (*Mazie*)

*Just give this girl a horn,  
And you'll forget to mourn.*

Lyre Club; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Band Cabinet; Orchestra 1, 2, 3, 4; Dance Orchestra 3, 4; Girls' Intramurals; Band Librarian.

## DOROTHY WALTERS (*Dotty*)

*Dot's nice and lots of fun;  
Everything all in one.*

Chorus 4; Choral Concert.

## BARBARA JEANNE WAUGAMAN (*Barb*)

*She's leaving us this year  
And Georgia-bound, we fear.*

G.A.A.; G.A.A. Cabinet 3; Excalibur Staff; Scarlet Quill Staff; "Pride and Prejudice"; Chorus 2, 3, 4; Junior Class Play Committee; Girls' Intramurals; Choral Concert; Invitation Committee.

## PHYLLIS MARIE WEBSTER (*Phil*)

*A quiet gal is Phil  
But always quite a pill.*

G.A.A.; Girl Reserves; Chorus 3; Girls' Intramurals; Choral Concert.

## MARGARET ELLEN WHERRY

*She's sure to make a success,  
And this is not a guess.*

G.A.A.; Chorus 1, 2, 3; Girls' Intramurals; Choral Concert.

RICHARD WHITCRAFT (*Buck*)

*With pencil or with paint  
He'll make you what you ain't.*

Excalibur Staff; V-Club; Prom Committee; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Boys' Intramurals.

BARBARA LOU WILKIE (*Barb*)

*Since music is her call,  
She does it best of all.*

G.A.A.; Girl Reserves; Lyre Club; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Orchestra 1, 2, 3, 4.

BETTY JANE WILLIAMS (*Shorty*)

*Wherever Betty goes,  
She's always on her toes.*

Chorus 1, 2, 3; Choral Concert.

WILBUR L. WILLIAMSON (*Pee wee*)

*Though Pee wee is his name,  
His stature's quite the same.*

Football 1, 4; Boys' Intramurals.

J. ALLEN WILLMERT (*Deac*)

*He's liked by every one,  
Because he's lots of fun.*

Hi-Y 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Student Council 4; Excalibur Staff; "Pride and Prejudice"; "The Very Light Brigade"; Chorus 1, 3, 4; Prom Committee; Orchestra 1, 2, 3, 4; Choral Concert; Boy Rotarian.

JAMES WINSLEY (*Jim*)

*Because he's a good friend,  
On him you can depend.*

Hi-Y 4; Band 4.



ELMER JOHN WINTERS

*A Navy man is he  
Out on the dark blue sea.*

United States Navy.

VIVIAN RUTH WISE (*Viv*)

*Though Vivian is quite wise,  
Her beauty takes the prize.*

G.A.A.; Girl Reserves; Excalibur Staff; Chorus 1, 2; Girls' Intramurals; Choral Concert; Student Librarian.

DON YOUNG (*Smoke*)

*His nickname may be Smoke,  
And maybe it's a joke.*

Boys' Intramurals.

DONALD G. YOUTZY (*Don*)

*When his school days are done,  
They will not stop his fun.*

ROBERT ZINSMEISTER (*Ziny*)

*Ziny's full of cheer  
On each day of the year.*

Chorus 1, 2; Basketball 1, 2; Boys' Intramurals; Choral Concert.

JUNIOR L. FELGER (*George*)

*Leo's not like a lion;  
At this we're not a lyin'!*

No picture.

Van Wert, Ohio

## SENIOR PROPHECY

Joan Agler is now a commercial advertiser for "Chubby Tots Frocks," a noted Paducah, Iowa, concern. Sylvia Albright's smiling countenance is seen on all the billboards over the country. She is the leading model for "Chubby Tots Frocks." Robert Allen has really left this world, for only two months ago he drew up the final plans for the newest rocket ship, "Venus, Here I Come." He left yesterday for his first trip. Patricia Bagley now has her name in lights since Tommy Dorsey retired because of old age and turned his entire band over to her. Gerald Bailey is one of the leading stunt men for the Leo the Lioness. So far he has suffered only a few minor injuries (compound fractures of both legs, broken neck, split vertebra, and habeas corpus). Ruth Baltzell is the proud owner of "The Purple Cow Dairy." David Balyeat is the head buyer for "Tri-Color Ties, Inc." Donald Barber is one of the trustees for the "Dear John Tractor Company." Earl Barson has really proved his worth—he is known to one and all as the second Valentino. He can currently be seen in the screen version of the stage play "Roses Are Red Compared to Pink Carnations." Patricia Baxter finally realized her life ambition; she appears as the *Before* and *After* for Superstrength Hair Tonic, guaranteed to make your hair grow thirteen inches every night or your money back. Robert Beams has been a high success ever since his book, "How To Be a Bachelor and Like It," was published.

Barbara Beard had intended to become a lawyer but after the Armistice there were too many young men in the law school so she quit. She now is the manager of "Beardsies' Pet and Fish Shoppe." Gene Bebout is the trainer of the colossal table-tennis trout, "The Wallopers." Do you remember when Gale Beck was one of the highest bowling scorers in Van Wert? Well, at the present time he's the world's bowling champion with an average score of 993.67/8 per game. Joanne Bernheisel's extraordinary lung power finally put itself to good use for she is now a Metropolitan Wagnerian Star. Peg Bernheisel is happily married, and, with her husband and six children, she has a wonderful time raising pink and white rabbits on a Montana Ranch. "Randy" Black deals exclusively in junk. His specialties are Model "A's" and 1929 "Chevves." Jack Blue works for the "Fuller Mop Co." and consequently travels quite a bit.

Daniel ("Bud") Bricker surprised every one. He decided to study mathematics seriously and at the present is very busy carrying on where Einstein left off. "Bob" Brubaker is a professional cheerleader with the "Dog Patch Crawlers," one of the nationally known football teams. Rose Burley runs a super-market in the suburbs of Convoy. It is revolutionary as it is more on the order of a cafeteria. Kathryn Busch, as you know, joined the WAVES after graduation and was shipped out of the country after a few weeks' training. Well, she liked it so well in the South Pacific that she married a native, and there she is to this day. Dottie Jean Canny always wanted a home of her own, so now she and Paul live happily in their little Mexican hacienda "Casa Blanca." Jack Clifton is a drum tester for "Nibbles Musical Instruments, Inc." They say that any drum that can stand up under his playing can stand up under anything. Melville Cole is head water boy for the Chicago Blue Gloves. Loren Collins owns and operates his own open-air traveling show. His specialty number is his trained pinching bugs. June Conley, well-known for her lovely voice, recently won a National Hog-Calling contest. The judges agreed that her tones were incredible. Clyde Coon entered into stiff competition with Bing Crosby (and we don't mean musically). He wants to make certain that football is continued at his Alma Mater. Bill Cotterman is one of the leading men as far as the radio industry is concerned. He is the Lone-Ranger's under-study. "Pud" Cryer's hair finally did her some real good in that she is now the glorious "Crown of Hair" which is seen in all the leading magazines to illustrate how wonderful "Mene Shampoo" is.

Bob Davidson and his sax "Glorrie" are world known. "Glorrie" not only is Bob's musical outlet, but she is also his dummy for his ventriloquist act. (Is Charlie McCarthy mad!) Jack Davis lost his heart to some brunette and for the last ten years he's been following her around trying to find it. Jim Davis' fluent speaking ability finally landed him a permanent position with station DEF as their "Lucky Hit" auctioneer. Paul Dougal joined the Navy to see the world and from latest reports he's still out seeing.

Mary Jane Eschbach organized her own all-girl basketball team and they travel all over the country. Marjora (Babe) Fiser married shortly after graduation and now she is the glowing parent of a batch of little "Turtles." Gene Foreman is an engineer on the Pennsylvania railroad. He also blows three blasts as he goes through Van Wert. Clide Ford grew about twelve inches when he was twenty and at the present time he is the strong man for Bungling Bros. Circus. Bill Fox developed a new hamburger. Yvonne Gallapoo was voted the "Perfect American Secretary" last year which goes to show that the small can be mighty. Tommy Gallaway took up farming and now he's president of the National Farmer's Association.

Philip Gluth was a Chemist but he had a little trouble with one of his formulas and blew up a rather large laboratory. Since then he has been an outcast from his profession. Sue Gocke has made dress designers. Shirley Temple's beautiful clothes are all creations by Gocke. Helen Grant has a much harder time than Babe Fiser because she's trying to raise a pack of Wolves. Some job. Doris Green became so accomplished on her violin that she plays 4th violin in the Jickville Civic Orchestra. Hilda Green left town the summer after we were graduated and none of us have heard of her since. We heard she was a street car conductor. Eleanor Hall decided she wanted to be a librarian so she bought her own library and rents out books for the special rate of \$1.11 per book for 24 hours. Patty Harr has her own beauty shop and we hear her mud packs are really wonderful. Mary Hofmann is Dean of Men for Plow and Harrow Agriculture School in Texas. Ruth Houser spends all her time reading and memorizing. She is determined to memorize the Encyclopedia Britannica and at the time of this writing she has only three volumes to go. Roger Humrickhouse is now staff artist for the "Babes In The Woods Nursery School." Dick Ireton has just been made Major General of our armed forces at Gagasto, East Africa. Catherine Johns is the new manager of the "We Dye Without Mess Laundry Shoppe." Just think, she has to wash twice a day. Thelma Kiehl, because of her strong voice, is a professional screamer for "I Love a Mystery." Pat Kimmel, alias "Dave-Said-In-His-Last-Letter," has become a professional filibuster for Congress. Clarence Klausing struck oil out in his back yard and now is known as America's No. 1 Playboy. Eleanor Klewer for the last eight years has been painting commercial signs in Shorthand even though very few people are able to read them. John Kreider produced a "non-squirt" grapefruit, and he is now called the second Burbank. Yvonne Leatherman made lifesaving her career, and she now owns a chain of outdoor swimming pools throughout Northern Canada and Alaska.

Gladys Leiter is an understudy of a script girl for G. M. G. Films Inc. Frederick Lillick always had a secret admiration for trains so now he is the conductor's assistant for Pushman Cars. Ralph Lintermoot decided he liked Delphos so well that he finally made his home there. He runs a gasoline station for a living. Virginia McGrew always wanted to travel so she became a foreign missionary. When last heard of she was trying to convert the South Sea Islands. Jacqueline Mahan, always noted for her stunning clothes, now wears dungarees most of the time. She and "Shorty" work day and night trying to eke out a living on their two-acre farm. Rebecca Manship took a course in Public Speaking and since 1950 she has been giving lectures all over the country on "Once I Too Was Shy But No More." Virgil Maxson finally settled in Kentucky where no one expects anybody else to have too much pep. James Miller liked the Navy pretty well but after the war he went prospectin' for gold in the Rockies. We hear he hasn't had much luck. "Dummy" Miller stuck to the Marine Corps, and now he is a hard-boiled sergeant. He gets a promotion every three or four years. Marilyn Miller became a nurse shortly after graduating and is now occupied in restoring shell-shocked war veterans back to their normal mental attitudes. Arthur Milligan took up Home Living in college, and now he is the Home Ec. teacher at his Alma Mater. James Moore has his own business concerns. He trains Seeing Eye cats for old maids. Joe Morgan is happily married, and, together with his wife and family, he runs a bakery in Middlepoint. Jerald Muntzinger owns eight large farms, and a small community is being started under his name. Virginia Olberding and her husband are the proud parents of a whole set of Quiz Kids. In her spare time Ginny presides over the Ladies' Aid. Dorcas Owens was recently made the editor of the Chicago Slambune. It's a very nice set-up because her husband is one of the candidates for mayor of "Big Town."

Vernon Palmer was noted the perfect sailor just before the end of the war and he's still living on his laurels. Georgia Pierce always secretly admired the navy and so she married a Marine. Dick Poling is a traveling salesman. He sells Super Earthworm Plows. June Poling sings for her living. She is the commercial for Martyr's Little Heartburn Tablets. Bonnie Preston went to Washington and now runs the elevator in the Washington Monument. Rolland Resor runs a semi-monthly paper in Beaverstown, Arkansas. Mildred Richey directs traffic on the corner of Hollywood and Vine. She wears dark glasses to weave an atmosphere of mystery about her. Barbara Rise works in a nursery. She has charge of the baby trees. Marcella Rogers owns her own little beauty salon. However, her customers suffer because she spends most of her time beautifying herself. Paul Ross is an orator. He orates as he works his way around the world on a tramp-steamer. Barbara Schreiner is now a lady fireman, having released Wayne Scott in order that he could join the Armed Services. She says her biggest thrill occurs when she slides down the pole after the alarm sounds. Coralie Severns is a transantarctic flyer for the Iceburg Clipper Lines.

Harold Shaw learned to swim while in the Navy and now he's trying to catch up with Esther Williams. Helen Shindledecker is a noted auctioneer. She can be heard every Saturday night on the Fortunate Hit Parade. Richard Showalter took over Earl Carroll's Girls and is now producing "The Showalter Follies of 1954." Bill Siders now owns a group of skating rinks and is making a huge profit. Ellen Sigler's face is seen on the backs of all the magazines advertising Bull Drum Beatrice Tobacco.

Ima Smith received the Showalter cup for being the tallest showgirl in his chorus. Margaret Stetler is modeling for "Life" and we hear that one of the leading photographers claims she has classic features. Jim Stover has changed the style from bow ties to string ties and is known as "Frankie the Second." Ronald Stuck's latest screen hit is "Dumbo" and he really went over big! Harlen Taylor is known to one and all as the bearded lady with the "Bungling Brothers Circus." Betty and Marie Towsey own the largest restaurant in New York known as the "Dropp Inne." Emma Truax devised a new soft drink called the "Sledge Hammer" and her slogan is "Our Sledge Hammers knock you cold."

June Waitman went to a Normal School for Teachers and she is now teaching Latin at her Alma Mater. Cora Mae Walters is a featured soloist with that renowned orchestra "The Buggy Bumpers." Dorothy Walters took up engineering and she is one of the few women electrical engineers in the country. Barbara Waugaman is known as the fastest woman in the history of canoeing. Her time is 2:15. Phyllis Webster made a home in Nevada. She has made four trips to Reno so far. Margaret Wherry is starred in the radio serial "Life Is Usually Terrible" which is sponsored by Soapsy Sudsies, Inc. Richard Whitcraft is the designer for all the leading companies who handle the extra-large sizes in women's clothing. Barbara Wilkie struck it rich. She was digging in her back yard and lo-and-behold! she found a silk mine. Betty Williams turned authoress and her best novel is "Butterflies and Fishing Nets." Wilbur Williamson is better known by the name of Halabozookski, the famous magician.

Allen Willmert recently went to Changralla to take pictures for Paramount's "News of the Week." James Winsley owns the largest gambling house in San Francisco, "The Hook 'Em." Junior Winters concocted a new candy bar which he calls Winters' Wintergreen. Vivian Wise is a Congresswoman and spends all her time introducing new bills. (Most of them to her husband). Don Young is the model for the Atlas ads since Charles Atlas became muscle-bound. Don Youtzy became a light-house keeper because he didn't like crowds. Robert Zinsmeister manages a roadside stand called the "Garleage Dump."

For Senior Survey see page 79.



# Underclassmen



# Juniors



Row 1: Sigler, Campbell, Bresler, McClure, Swisher, Billieu, Schaadt, Replogle, Downing

Row 2: Dixon, Shaw, Dodge, Price, Finkhousen, DeBolt, Pfeiffer, Morgan, Ferguson

Row 3: Grandstaff, Halliwell, Williamson, Siders, Ashburn, Clay, Saam, Fryer

Row 4: Brubaker, Todd, Wagstaff, Lininger, Flanagan, Hughes, Stripe, Duprey, Miller, Ruhlin



Row 1: Rickard, Rice, Eichar, Knittle, Dunham, Eschbach, Graven, Dannecker, Meyette

Row 2: Rise, Agler, Keipper, Ross, Frick, Garrison, Partin, Galloway, Reynolds, Coupland

Row 3: Huhn, Nelson, Barson, Unterbrink

Row 4: Horther, Barrientos, Linser, Maher, Murray, Boyer, Summersett, Babcock



Row 1: Williams, Williamson, Fleece, Hennerman, Ramsey, Stripe, Langdon, Hines, Adams

Row 2: Miller, Ross, Ross, Ray, Dillworth, Tozzer, Ladd, Williaman, Rickard

Row 3: Metzger, Reidenbach, Finch, Anderson, Schoenwald, Jerome, Hisey, Walters, Easterling

Row 4: Winsley, Schuum, Rhodenbaugh, Forwalter, Frericks, Soldner, Reed, Monroe, Shreck



Row 1: Gallant, Harper, Becker, Mihm, Wyatt, Chambers, Geckler, Garver, Brubaker

Row 2: Tindall, Fisher, Hartman, Scarpelli, Philip, Grill, Burley, Schaadt, Wilson

Row 3: Hoffman, Blue, Sherman, Miller, Byers, Carter, Buechner, Johnson, Wable

Row 4: Beverly, Shook, Smith, Lamb, Jones, Ross, Vaske, Sunderland, Taylor

## JUNIOR CLASS HISTORY

A spectator in the halls of dear old Van Wert High one September morning in the year 1941 would have noticed something decidedly tense about the atmosphere. Could this bewildered group of young students be—yes, it was, our graduating class of '45.

After a few weeks, every one had recovered sufficiently to hold class elections, and we elected Jack Lininger, President; Junior Hisey, Vice President; Jack Fatum, Secretary; and Guy Boyer, Treasurer. Mary Dannecker, Patsy Hamilton, Bill Shreck, and Graydon Jerome served as our very able and worthy representatives in the Student Council.

Our additions to the football team were rich in quality, if not in quantity, and at the end of the year four freshmen boys were seen sporting numerals. The basketball team seems to have fared much better for it was graced with seven members of our class.

The girls were not left behind, though, for they were well represented in Girl Reserves and G. A. A. Several of them had accumulated enough points by the end of the year to receive G. A. A. numerals.

Now as each Freshman class had been in the habit of giving an assembly for the student body we, not to be outdone, decided to display our talents also. Upon that fatigue day we were judged, pronounced satisfactory, and surprised every one with the presentation of a Twenty-five Dollar War Bond from our class to the school.

After a short summer vacation, we turned up again (as the proverbial bad penny does) but this time as sophomores. Jack Lininger again became President; David Summersett was our Vice President; Patty DeBolt, our Secretary; and Sue Pennell, our Treasurer. Patsy Hamilton, Winnifred Schaadt, Junior Hisey, David Summersett, and Angel Barrientos were elected to the Student Council.

At the end of the football season, Jack Lininger and David Summersett, manager, were made members of the "V" Club. A number of boys again went out for basketball and Angel Barrientos was made a member of the varsity squad.

Finally, we became upper classmen. We could now look with sympathy upon the poor, misunderstood freshmen.

We elected Dick Finch as President; David Summersett, Vice President; Patty DeBolt, Secretary; and Katherine Eschbach, Treasurer. Our representatives to the Student Council were Pat Hines, Patty DeBolt, David Summersett, Junior Hisey.

This year we fared even better in football and basketball. There were Juniors in the "V" Club. Namely, Jack Lininger, Dick Metzger, Bob Grandstaff, Paul Sherman, Gene Wable, Gene Miller, and David Summersett.

We also had three of our members on the varsity squad in basketball: Angel Barrientos, Bob Grandstaff, and Jack Monroe.

And, of course, at all these games we cheered. Dick Brubaker, a member in good standing of our class, was a very active member of the cheer-leading squad.

Since every junior class is expected to present a class play, we, too, came through with one. Our contribution to the drama was the three-act comedy, "Every Family Has One." Members of the cast were Winnifred Schaadt, Billie Jean Brubaker, Peg Coup-land, Rosalie Adams, Phyllis Burley, Patty Hines, Ilo Williamson, Richard Finch, Junior Hisey, Guy Boyer, William Soldner, and Dillon Rhodenbach.

So, as you can see, our first three years in high school have been very happy ones. We have enjoyed mixers, parties, chili suppers, pep sessions, football and basketball games, and all the other things connected with high school life.

# Sophomores



Row 1: Shaw, Denig, Agler, Wagonrod, Grandstaff, Sites, Potter, Parson, Parson, Darling

Row 2: Basil, Snavely, Flickinger, Davis, Moca-bee, Myers, Lamb, Wil-liams, Conley, Seargent, Routt

Row 3: Harmon, Under-wood, Potts, Flanagan, Morgan, Medaugh

Row 4: Woten, O'Brien, Baxter, Wilkinson, Mosier, Hudson, Byrd, Gluth, Thornton, Miller



Row 1: Siders, Martin, Bowersock, Allen, Atkin-son, Davis, Longworth, Ralston, Klewer

Row 2: Dixon, Scarpelli, Sharp, Myers, Hoffman, Kiehl, Bates, Doner, Fore-man

Row 3: Learned, Klaus-ing, Kaiser, Mericle, Moore, Conley, Poling, Bartlett, Bailey

Row 4: Kampf, Robey, Salisbury, Showalter, Put-man, Baltzell, Wells, Gam-ble



Row 1: Spaulding, Bax-ter, Ackom, Allen, Ham-mond, Schaadt, Carpenter, Miller, Bennet

Row 2: Kintz, Nihiser, Becker, Kruse, Martin, Poling, Clifton, Mosher, Purdy, Bolinger

Row 3: Springer, Stuck-ey, Tangeman, Winters, Winhover, Barnett, Kreider

Row 4: Pontius, Stripe, Lininger, Oswalt, Baker, Smith, Balyeat, Miller, Palmer, Grubb



Row 1: Cryer, Wild, Wherry, Gaddis, Gribler, Tindall, Anderson, Max-well

Row 2: Curtis, Beck, Bernheisel, Manship, Jones, Woten, Moore, Bricker, Stetler, Pierson

Row 3: Lininger, Kess-ler, Allen, Knoll, Davis, Egan, Jerome, Rhoads, Holland

Row 4: Unterbrink, Harding, Uncapher, Smith, Thomas, Merriss, Fawcett, Pierce, Becker

## SOPHOMORE CLASS HISTORY

The class of '46 began its high school career on September 14, 1942. We went through the traditional process of getting in the wrong classes, forgetting locker combinations, and running to the office for blue slips. We spent the first few days wandering around, wondering if it were possible to look as ignorant and out of place as we felt. Soon, however, that feeling wore off and we began to suspect that the teachers and so-called upper classmen might even be human.

The first problem that confronted us was to elect our class officers to help carry us through the year. We solved that by choosing Jim Showalter as President, John Holland as Vice President, Helen Kruse as Secretary, and Louis Darling as Treasurer. Our representatives to the Student Council were Mildred Becker, Jack Thornton, Richard Mosier, Raymond Riley, and Jim Showalter.

Nine of our number turned out for football and some proved to be first-class players. Those were Jack Thornton, Forest Thomas, Jim Showalter, Raymond Riley, Stanley Miller, Gene Kesler, Dick Hudson, Kenneth Bartlett, and Bob Balyeat. We were also well-represented in basketball. Those on the team were Charles Poling, Jim Showalter, Robert Baker, and Dick Baltzell.

Many of the girls were interested in the G. A. A. and G. R. and became active members. Robin Mosher was elected Freshman representative on the G. A. A. cabinet.

Mr. Mohr selected many of the Freshmen to participate in the Choral Concert on March 15.

One of our achievements as Freshmen was an assembly which we got together and produced. It was a variety of drama (the word is used loosely) and music. We heard many comments and were surprised to find most of them favorable.

On the whole, most of us enjoyed our Freshman year and looked forward to the coming term.

September 13, 1943, found us entering Van Wert Hi as Sophomores. It was a relief and pleasure to hand the Freshmen the "greenie" line instead of receiving it.

This year sees Jim Showalter again in the Presidency and John Holland as Vice President, with Mildred Becker as secretary and Gene Kesler as Treasurer. The members of the Student Council are Mildred Becker, Helen Kruse, Jack Thornton, Paul Grubb, Richard Mosier, and Jim Showalter.

Again our football record is good. This last season found Donald Ferguson, Gene Kesler, Olen Medaugh, Jim Showalter, Jack Thornton, and Forest Thomas on the gridiron, with Fred Wells as assistant manager. Showalter, Thornton and Thomas are the letter men. Dick Baltzell, Fred Wells, Stanley Miller, Dick Mosier, Jim Showalter, Bob Morgan, Walter Putnam, and Gene Kesler, manager, made Sophomore basketball history.

The G. A. A. and G. R. still hold the interest of many of our girls. This year, Garnet Poling as librarian, Mary Lou Gribler as baseball manager and Ruth Tindall as assistant basketball manager serve on the G. A. A. cabinet, while Mildred Becker does her part on the G. R. cabinet.

Many of the girls turned out for intramurals and proved themselves good athletes as well as good sports.

The chorus still claims a large number of Sophomores who again took part in the annual Choral Concert. The girls' chorus has a sextet composed of Donna Miller, Phyllis Schaadt, Garnet Poling, Jane Woten, Robin Mosher, and Janice Purdy.

It won't be long now until our Sophomore days will be gone and we'll find ourselves in a Junior home room. However we shall always remember the good times this year brought us.



# Freshmen

Row 1: Snavelly, Spoor, Pieroni, Truax, Dake, Baer, Tomlinson, Hertel, Brehm

Row 2: Friedly, Herring, Baer, Sigler, Finkhausen

Row 3: Spieth, Finch, Blue, Raye, Everett, Paulus, Dixon

Row 4: Fetter, Taylor, Barrientos, Allen, Loetz, Gilbert, Dempsey, Davis, Henny



Row 1: Taylor, Schaepfer, Downing, Wallace, Ramsey, Fleece, Wilson, Wyatt, Spieth

Row 2: Snapp, Waldron, Rickard, Unterbrink, Donnelly, Webb, Davis, Bates, Glosett, Brewer, Carothers

Row 3: Gallant, Webster, Waldron, Miller, Conley, Hunt, Zimmerman, Uncapher, Keihl

Row 4: Uncapher, Chivington, Case, Young, Lintermoot, Johnson, Halliwell, Morgan, McGregor, Webster



Row 1: Walters, Tomlinson, Gantt, Hunter, Wise, Vaske, Bayles, Wiseman, McCleary

Row 2: Cooper, Feigert, Willmert, Bobbitt, Harvey, Fawcett, Brake, Brumback, Hall, Clay, Lytle

Row 3: Schaadt, Wermer, Rogers, Kreischer, Zinn, Darling, Kaisor, Harris, Hundley, Hofmann

Row 4: Mefferd, Watson, Hofmann, Height, Green, Byers, Stetler, Wade



Row 1: Bigham, Carlo, Adams, Baker, Brinker, Garver, Billieu, Ulrey, Morehead

Row 2: Phillipy, Shindledecker, Moore, Bricker, Sidle, Comer, Agler, Johns, McGrew, Pritchard, Roesner, Shaffer

Row 3: Keil, Hudson, Barnett, Frick, Deal, Jones, Shook, Raabe, Hunt, Miller

Row 4: Stover, Miller, Jones, Haller, Shaffer, Quance, Wyandt, Brooks

## FRESHMAN CLASS HISTORY



On September 13th, 1943, the doors of Van Wert High School swung open to admit 165 Freshmen, who were from that day hence to grace the corridors of our fair school.

Sure we were very green, as green as Freshmen come, but we learned quickly.

A few of our number lost themselves in the rush and turned up in Biology instead of Business Arithmetic, but on the whole, we survived the first few days and came through with banner flying.

Our class election resulted in one of the members of our fairer sex holding the office of President. The lass was Virginia Phillipy. Charles Finch is our Vice President, Marcia Wyandt, Secretary, and David Hunt, Treasurer.

To represent us on the Student Council we elected Virginia Seavy, Betsy Feigert, Charles Raabe and Kent Speith.

At the present time the Freshman Class has contributed two and one-half jeeps to the war effort.

One of our Freshmen was elected Cheer Leader, "Corky" Clay.

On the football squad we were represented by Joe Keil, Charles Raabe, Donald Stover, Paul Young, Ronald Fetter, John Haller, Edward Dickson and Robert Jones.

In basketball, Max Barrientos, Joe Keil, Roger Allan, Dudley Stetler and James Loetz played on the Reserves.

Chorus and Band seemed to get their share of our illustrious (?) class. Although there was no Freshman ensemble some of us got to sing with the chorus in the Choral Concert.

We had a Clarinet Quartet composed of four Freshmen, Virginia Phillipy, Carol Harvey, Marilyn Carlo and Betsy Feigert. They played at our Christmas assembly.

A few of our number looked a wee bit green around the gills after evacuating the Biology lab, the day we dissected an earthworm. (Wait till they make mince-meat of a frog).

Revolutionary things are going on in 206. Magazines, radio, and phonograph have been in use. Also, Mr. Rauch and Miss Hueter have taught us not to chatter and not to borrow paper or else.

The Girl Reserves have enlisted over 70 Freshmen girls in their ranks. The "Jorg Jump" was well attended by our feminine foolicers and their dates.

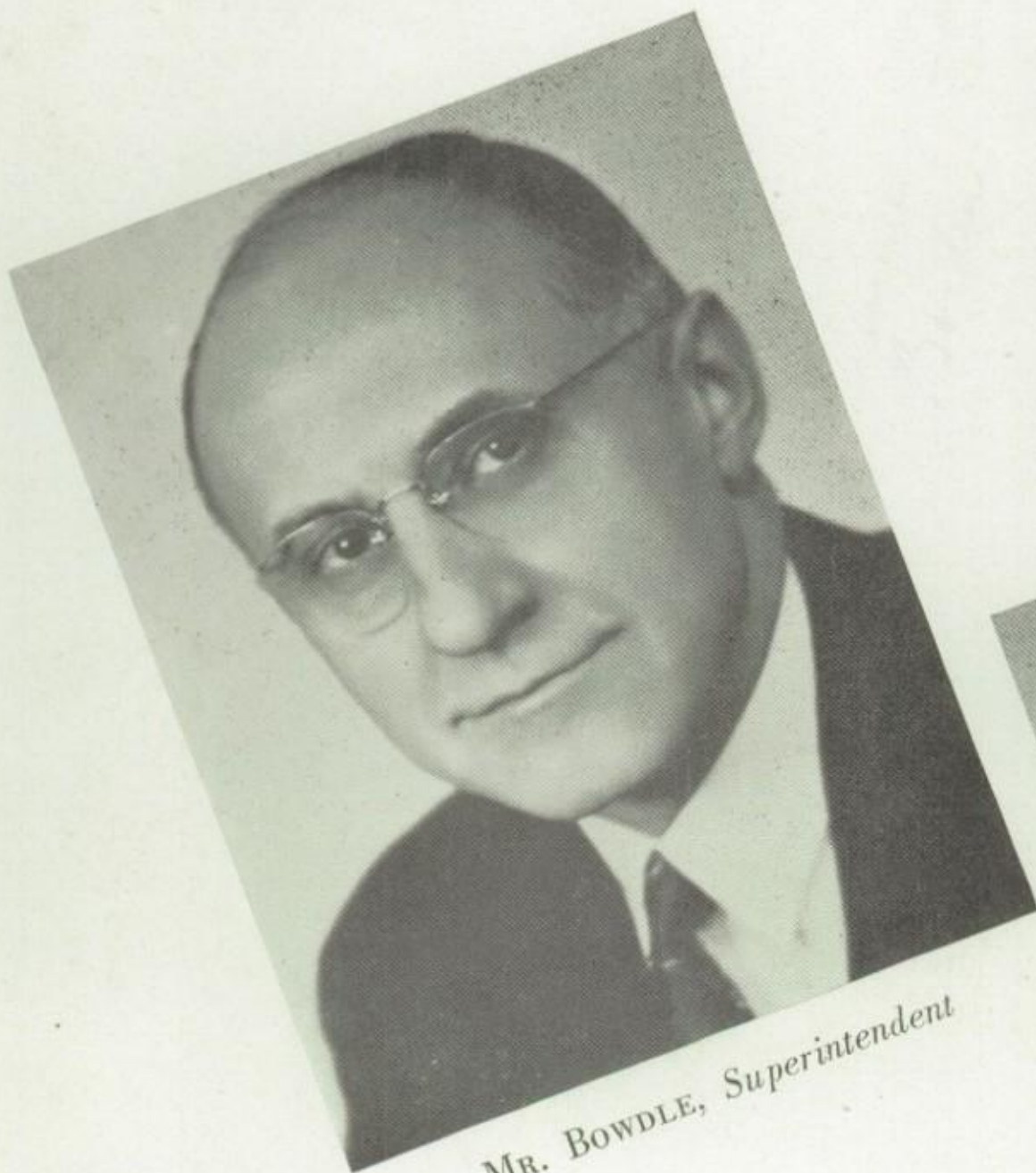
The G. A. A. "Bunny Club" had an unusual entertainment. A chorus composed of Freshman girls showed us a little "precision dancing." Yes, our class has beauty and talent as well as brains.

All of our teachers have given us a good start through the Halls of Learning. They have made our Freshman year a new and pleasant experience. We face the future with great hopes for the class of "47."



Faculty





MR. BOWDLE, Superintendent

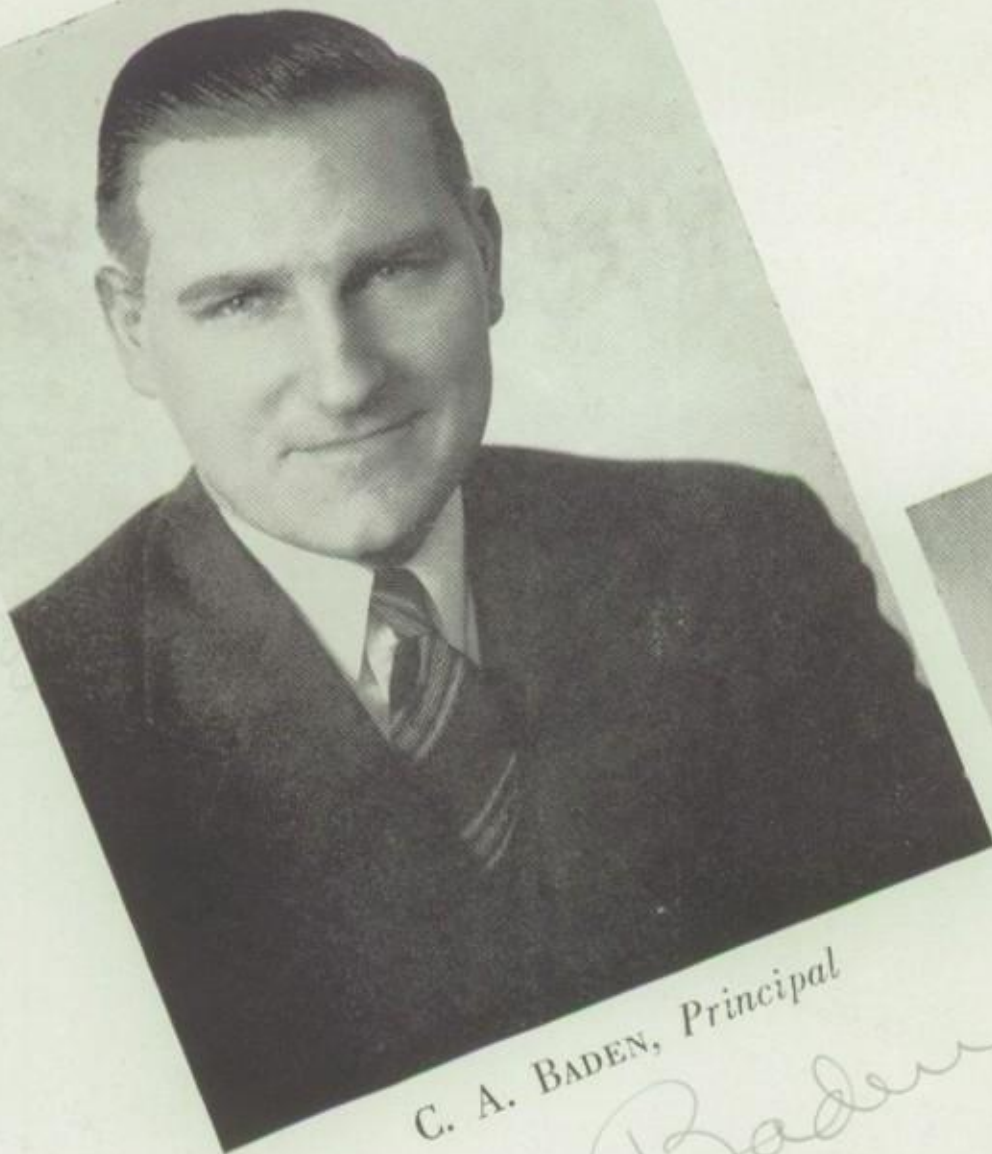


BETTY MURRAY

Success is achieved by reaching worth-while goals which you are constantly striving to attain. May you always perform to the best of your ability the duties and responsibilities which are entrusted to you.

Seniors, we congratulate you on your graduation and extend to you our sincere best wishes.

C. P. Bowdle



C. A. BADEN, Principal

*C. A. Baden*



KATHLEEN BLAIR

Your high school days have been filled with experience and work. Nonetheless, they have been years of pleasure and happiness. The evidence of co-operation and teamwork with fellow students, faculty, and administration should be a source of satisfaction and an inspiration to greater achievements in the school of life.

C. A. Baden



F. EARL SHAFFER



MARY KESLER

For a long time your course has been mapped for you by parents, teachers, and other advisors. Now you must plot your own course. May success attend you in all your endeavors.

F. Earl Shaffer



## BOARD OF EDUCATION

The citizens of Van Wert City School District have elected the above group as their representatives to administer the affairs of our public school system. It is gratifying to know that such men as these are willing to accept this responsibility without receiving compensation for their efforts.

C. W. Williman is President of the Board. Mr. Williman is the senior partner of the Williman and Sons Market. Dr. Maurice Forwalter, a local dentist, is Vice President. Mr. James S. Hall, Secretary of the First Federal Savings and Loan Association, Mr. A. Holmes Stoops, General Manager of the Stoops Packing Company, and Mr. Walter Tolan of the Van Wert Manufacturing Company are the other members of the Board.



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Band  
Orchestra  
Instrumental Music

# Sport Preface

Athletics in wartime are essentially for the purpose of developing those attributes which go to make our youth better prepared to defend and promote our democratic form of life. Healthful sports are part of the American way of life—the source of strength, the aggressiveness, the will to win that makes America different than slave nations.

Coach R. L. Peters

In early days when our forefathers were winning this country, every man on the frontier was a rifleman and a wilderness hunter, fit and ready to be a warrior at need. In modern times the vital need for aggressive manhood is met and must be met by a National devotion to strenuous sports. We are reaping the benefits now, as a glance at any list of distinguished fighting men will show. I think this is no time to let down on the physical and mental conditioning of the coming generation.

This thought is well-expressed by the words of General MacArthur:

“Upon the fields of friendly strife  
Are sown the seeds  
That, upon other fields on other days,  
Will bear the fruits of victory.”

Coach G. E. Smith

# Sports





## FOOTBALL TEAM

First Row: Charles Finch, Manager, Vernon Palmer, Bill Shreck, Richard Whitcraft, Graydon Jerome, Don Furgeson, Jack Thornton, Ronnie Fetter, Clide Ford, Dave Summersett, Manager.

Second Row: Ronnie Oswalt, Dick Metzger, John Haller, Forest Thomas, Lloyd Miller, Gene Bebout, Richard Showalter, Tom Galloway, Fred Wells, Manager.

Third Row: Coach Ronald Peters, Gene Wable, Dave Balyeat, Russell Buechner, Jack Lininger, Gene Miller, Jack Davis, Jim Showalter, Clyde Coon, Don Stover, Coach Gil Smith.

Fourth Row: Ed Dixon, Gene Kesler, Robert Jones, Rodger Palmer, Fred Neiford, Bob Grandstaff, Paul Shermann, Paul Young, Olen Medaugh, Charles Raabe, Joe Keil.

HAIL TO THE CHAMPS!!!

## FOOTBALL

In the first game of the '43 season the Cougars played an inexperienced Bryan team and emerged victorious 33-0. Although Van Wert had only two weeks of practice they had their fundamentals well under control and scored virtually at will. Coon and Lininger divided the scoring with Coon crossing the goal three times and Lininger twice. Lininger also converted three points after touchdown.

The following Friday we journeyed to Defiance to play the Bulldogs who had not been defeated in their last fifteen games. The Cougars broke their winning streak by a score of 33-0. Coon headed the scoring with two touchdowns. Ford, J. Showalter, and Lininger each tallied once. Lininger booted the three extra points.

The Kenton Wildcats were our next victims. They were defeated 20-0 in a hard fought game at Kenton. All 20 points were made in the first quarter. The Cougars were badly handicapped having two regulars on the sidelines with injuries. Metzger, Coon, and J. Showalter each scored once. Coon and Showalter also plunged over for extra points. It was our first league contest.

In our next game we defeated the Bluffton Pirates 20-0 at Bluffton. It was the third consecutive out-of-town game. Lininger, Ford, and J. Showalter scored one touchdown each. Lininger booted the two points.

The Cougars hit their full stride against a strong Bellefontaine squad and defeated them 32-7. The game was played in a sea of mud with heavy rain falling during most of the game. This defeat by the Cougars was the only loss Bellefontaine suffered all season. By winning this game the Van Wert gridgers recovered the highly valued traveling trophy. Coon scored twice, Lininger, J. Showalter and Dick Showalter each tallied one touchdown. Dick Showalter's touchdown came on a sixty yard run after a pass interception.

Van Wert met stiff opposition in winning over the Wapakoneta Redskins 20-0. After a scoreless first quarter Van Wert made two touchdowns on line plunges by J. Showalter and Lininger. Showalter romped across the goal line again in the third quarter for Van Wert's final score. Lininger's accurate kicking accounted for the three points after touchdown.

Avenging a bitter 21-0 defeat inflicted by Lima Central the previous season the Cougar gridgers trampled the Dragons 18-7. The game, however, was not as close as the score might indicate. Lima was only able to gain two first downs during the entire game. D. Miller, J. Showalter, and Lininger each scored one touchdown.

Playing our final out-of-town game at St. Marys we defeated the Roughriders 26-13. The Cougars wasted no time scoring nineteen points in the first eight minutes of play. Playing against mostly reserve players St. Marys came back strong in the third quarter and gave the Cougars a real scare. The Cougars recovered in time to score again and put the game on ice. J. Showalter crossed the goal twice, Coon and Lininger each tallied once.

We defeated our traditional rivals, the Celina Bulldogs 18-0. This victory assured us of the league championship and an undefeated, untied season. The weather conditions were in Celina's favor with heavy rain and sleet preventing the Cougars running up a much higher score. Coon led the scoring with two touchdowns. Lininger scored the remaining six points on a plunge off tackle.



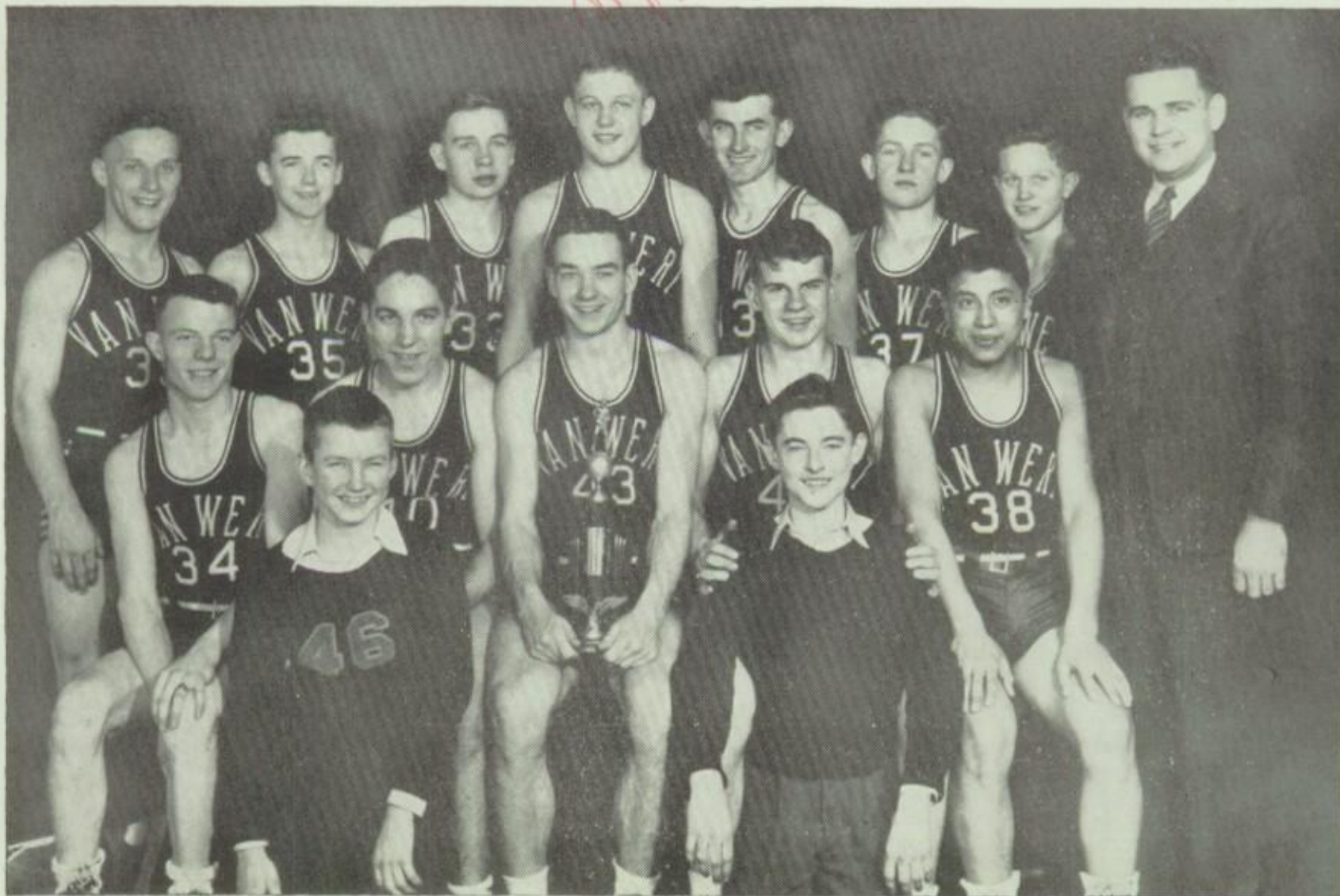
COACH RONALD PETERS

AND

COACH GILBERT SMITH

### Varsity Basketball Team

First Row: Jerome, Wells, Mosier, Putman, Grandstaff, Baltzell, Ford, Coach Peters  
 Second Row: Galloway, Bebout, Showalter, Monroe, Barrientos  
 Third Row: Managers: Kesler, Case



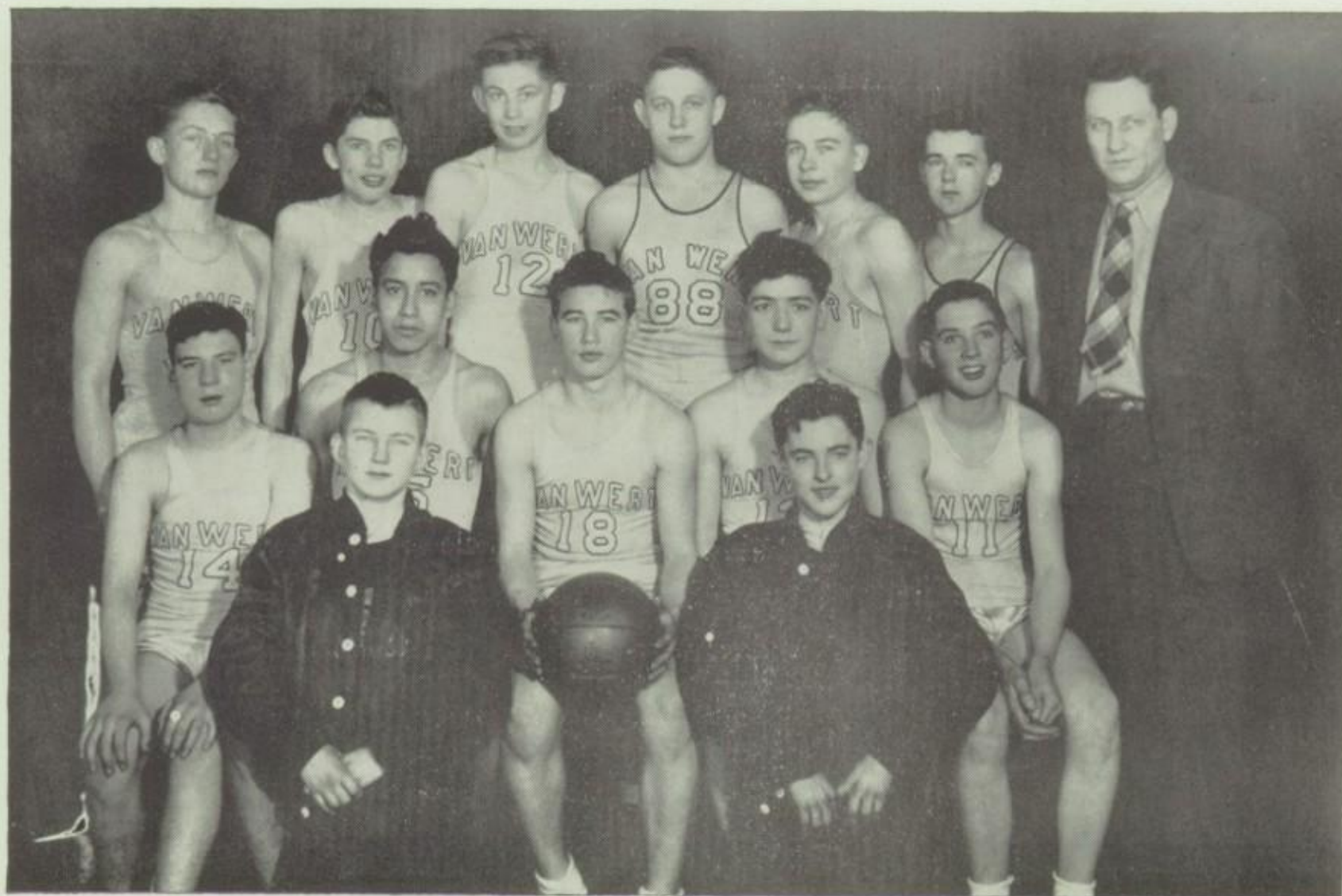


CHEERLEADERS

Dick Brubaker, Cora Faye Clay  
Peg Bernheisel, Bob Brubaker

Reserve Basketball Team

First Row: Baltzell, Morgan, Loetz, Putman, Mosier, Wells, Coach Smith  
Second Row: Kiel, Barrientos, Miller, Stettler, Allen  
Third Row: Managers: Kesler, Case



## BASKETBALL

The Van Wert High Cougars traveled to Greenville for their opening game and came out on the short end of a 36-33 score. Barrientos collecting 13 points was the leading scorer.

The following week the Cougars hit their stride and completely swamped an inexperienced Delphos Jefferson team 50-24. Every varsity player saw action.

Ada's Bulldogs proved to be a stumbling block in the Cougars' path, defeating them 40-39 in a heart-breaking game. The lead changed several times during the contest with the Cougars leading 39-38 just before the game ended. With just a few seconds remaining an Ada player sank a long one to win 40-39.

The Cougars next traveled to Bellefontaine to play the Chieftains, it was our first league game of the season. The Chieftains who had always been a jinx before proved no match for the alert Cougars who easily won 34-29.

Establishing a new scoring record the Cougars trounced the St. Mary's Roughriders 66-27. The Van Wert Cougars displayed an uncanny shooting ability by a large per cent of their shots.

On the night of January 21, 1944, Van Wert received a stinging defeat at the hands of our traditional rival, Celina. The Cougars kept pace with the Bulldogs first half but the large floor and Celina's streamline bankboards began to tell on the Cougars second half as they lost 35-21.

Playing a fine defensive game the Cougars easily disposed of Paulding 47-28. The Cougars allowed Paulding only 4 points during the entire first half.

The Cougars were defeated the following week 38-35 by a spirited Wapakoneta team. After leading by as much as 11 points the first half the Cougars faltered badly after the intermission. Galloway, who had been injured the two previous games, returned to score 17 points for the Cougars.

Bluffton was the next opponent and they handed the Cougars a 62-36 setback. Although beaten by 26 points Van Wert did very well. Bluffton was undefeated and had a 71 point average.

The next night the Van Wert Cougars journeyed to Lima to tangle with the South High Tigers. When the final gun sounded the Cougars were on the short end of a 47-29 score. The Cougars kept pace the first part of the game but the hard contest the night before had a telling effect.

The Cougars found the range against the Defiance Bulldogs and sent them back with a 33-25 licking. The Van Wert Cougars had little trouble dominating the visitors except in the third stanza when they outscored us 9-3.

Fading badly in the final minutes the Van Wert Cougars fell victims to Delphos St. Johns 24-23 at Delphos St. Johns.

In their final league appearance of the season the Cougars dropped a close game to the Kenton Wildcats by a score of 51-45. The Cougars had tough luck with two players fouling out in the first half.

In their last regular game of the season the Cougars trounced the Bryan Golden Bears 50-23 at Bryan. The Cougars opened fast and scored 13 points before Bryan could locate the basket. Showalter scored 22 points for an individual season scoring record.

### TOURNAMENT AT DEFIANCE

The Cougars who hadn't played the quality of basketball all season of which they were capable hit their stride in the tournament and proved they were an outstanding and not just an average team.

In their first tournament match the Cougars drew Bryan. The game was almost an exact duplicate of the one they played at Bryan the previous week. This time the Cougars defeated them 48-20.

The Cougars were paired with Defiance in the semi-finals and had a difficult time disposing of them 26-23. Ford and Bebout were unable to play because of a temporary quarantine for scarlet fever.

In the finals the Cougars were matched against the Napoleon Wildcats. The Cougars climaxed their tournament play by beating them 26-25. This game will be long-remembered by Van Wert sports fans. Bebout and Ford were not able to participate because of the quarantine.

It was the first time in the history of Van Wert High School basketball that the Cougars have won the district championship.

### REGIONAL TOURNAMENT AT BOWLING GREEN

The Cougars drew Mansfield in the Regional Tournament at Bowling Green and made an excellent showing despite the fact they were defeated 39-28. They showed a fine fighting spirit.



## GIRLS' SPORTS

The girls started a new school year as enthusiastic as ever for the forthcoming sports.

On the nice days of autumn each class had soccer teams which played their games outside. The sophomores took and held the lead in the tournament.

As winter approached the girls selected class teams for a volleyball tournament. The Juniors and Seniors had to share the championship in that sport.

Then came basketball, which is the favorite sport of most girls. Each class had four teams except the Seniors who had two teams. This tournament consisted of seventy-two games, and after they were all played the members of each class chose an all-star team to represent them in the final tournament.

Freshmen: I. Fleece; C. Curtis; M. J. Finkhousen; L. Cooper; J. Bayles; C. Shaffer; P. Brake; Z. Davis; B. Feigert; J. Walters.

Sophomores: M. Pearson; P. Shaw; R. Tindall; M. Curtis; B. Bernheisel; M. Gribler; E. Snively; M. Cryer; K. Gaddis; S. Manship.

Juniors: J. Dilworth; D. Campbell; B. Richard; R. Adams; P. Agler; D. Fleece; I. Tozzer; J. Ladd.

Seniors: S. Albright; M. Towsey; G. Leiter; D. Owens; G. Pierce; P. Baxter; R. Manship; P. Bernheisel; R. Houser; M. Eschbach.

Each class played two rounds. The Seniors were undefeated the first round but in the second the Sophomores defeated them. The Freshmen being beaten twice by the Seniors who came to the rescue and took the Sophomores, so the Seniors were the proud "Champs" of the tournament.

When spring comes for good, baseball will start in full swing with many girls out for it.

The gym classes have varied somewhat this year with archery, horse-shoe pitching, and shuffleboard, plus the four major sports usually exercised in these classes.



T &amp; I BASKETBALL TEAM

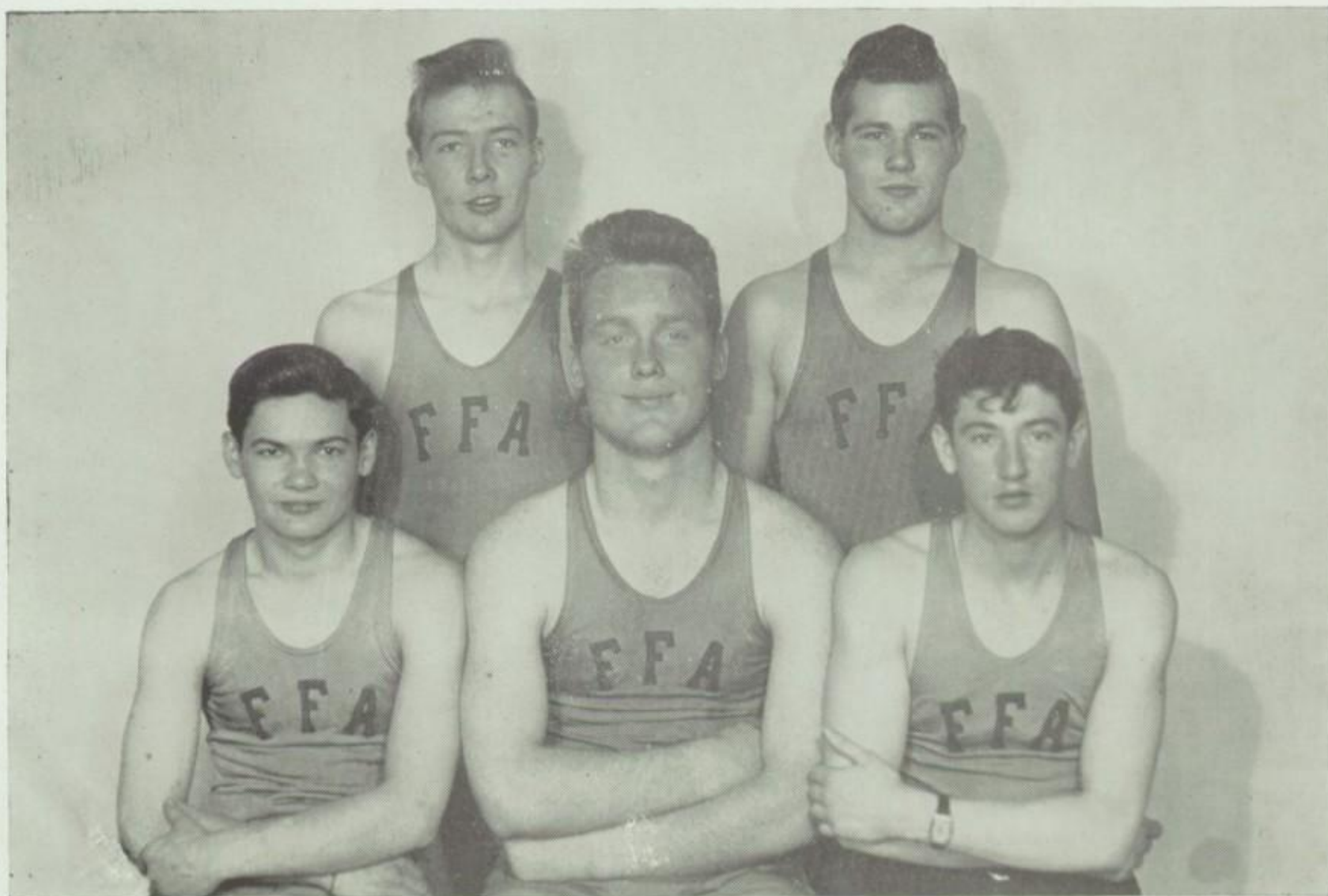
## BOYS' INTRAMURALS

The 43-44 season of the boys' intramural program was one of the most successful in years. The intramural program was under the capable supervision of Coach Ronald Peters. Because of wartime conditions there was not the usual variety of sports, but the enlarged physical education program helped relieve the shortage.

Basketball, as usual, dominated the scene. At the beginning of the season there were two leagues, A and B; but later they merged into one league. The schedule was divided into two rounds with a playoff between the two winners. The Future Farmers, undefeated in seven games, easily captured the first round. The F. F. A. team was composed by V. Palmer, Davidson, Ferguson, Thomas, R. Palmer, and Grubb.

The second round was, however, a different story with the T & I Juniors tying the Aggies for first place. The Junior tradesmen eliminated the Aggies and earned the right to meet the F. F. A. in the playoff.

The Junior T & I continued their driving offense and defeated the Future Farmers in a tight, hard fought game. The champion team is composed of G. Miller, Vaske, Smith, Sunderland, and Pollock.



F. F. A. BASKETBALL TEAM

The next event was a class tournament in which varsity players were allowed to participate. It was a handicap tournament in which the upperclassmen at the start gave the underclassmen a four point advantage. The Seniors drew the Freshmen and had little trouble disposing of them. The Juniors defeated the Sophomores with ease. The finals proved to be a thrilling contest with the Seniors leading at the half, but the underclassmen came through to win 45-35.

Although this tournament was the end of intramural play it was not the end of sports activity in the high school. Through the efforts of Coach Peters the physical education program was greatly enlarged both in the number of activities and the interest among the students.

The boys enjoyed wrestling, boxing, ping-pong, softball, and swimming was added this spring. To the boys expecting to join the armed services when school is out the gym classes had a special attraction. The classes went through the commando training course at regular intervals. It consisted of calisthenics, running the stadium course, climbing fences, jumping low hurdles, and the 100 yard-sprint to finish. It serves as a wonderful conditioner.

## GIRLS' ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

On September twenty-nine the Girls' Athletic Association started the year anticipating a successful future under the capable leadership of Miss Geraldine Arnold, assisted by Miss Genevieve Borden.

In addition to the sixty old members, the Girls' Athletic Association inducted thirty new members on October eleven with a pot-luck supper, followed by a very impressive candlelight ceremony. The old members, each holding a candle, formed a V; and the new members entered the gym to the tune of "The 'V' Girl." The oath was then read to them by the President, Dorcas Owens.

During the year we had helpful programs on self-improvement, a pot-luck supper, skits, group singing and dancing, and a party in the spring.

On February eleven, before the Bluffton basketball game, the association sponsored a chili supper which went over very nicely.

The major sports in which the girls participated were Soccer, Volleyball, Basketball, and Softball.

Biking, Bowling, Swimming, Hiking, Skating, Badminton, and Ping-pong are some of the minor sports.

The cabinet for the 1943-44 year consisted of the following girls:

President .....	Dorcas Owens
Vice President .....	Mary Eschbach
Secretary Treasurer .....	Pat Baxter
Program Chairman .....	Peg Bernheisel
Assistant Program Chairman.....	Barbara Beard
Historian .....	Garnet Poling
Basketball Manager .....	Peg Coupland
Assistant Basketball Manager.....	Ruth Tindall
Volleyball Manager .....	Ilo Williamson
Soccer Manager .....	Katherine Eschbach
Softball Manager .....	Mary Lou Gribler
Biking, Bowling, Swimming .....	Eleanor Hall
Hiking, Skating, Horseback Riding .....	Marjorie Mayette
Ping-pong, Shuffleboard, Badminton .....	Yvonne Gallapoo
Song Leader .....	Virginia Olberding
Freshman Representative .....	Colleen Curtis

We had a very enjoyable year in G. A. A. and we sincerely hope you have as much success in years to come.

## V- CLUB



Dave Balyeat

Lloyd Miller

Angel Barrientos

Jack Monroe

Gene Bebout

Vernon Palmer

Jack Davis

Bill Siders

Clide Ford

Paul Sherman

Tom Galloway

Dick Showalter

Bob Grandstaff

Jim Showalter

Jack Lininger

Dave Summersett

Dick Metzger

Forrest Thomas

Gene Miller

Jack Thornton

Gene Wable

Clyde Coon—President



Smile

Ginger

Long ago

Make it with nuts  
Bob

Glamour??

Surrounded

Aye Aye

4 "Raws"

Late?

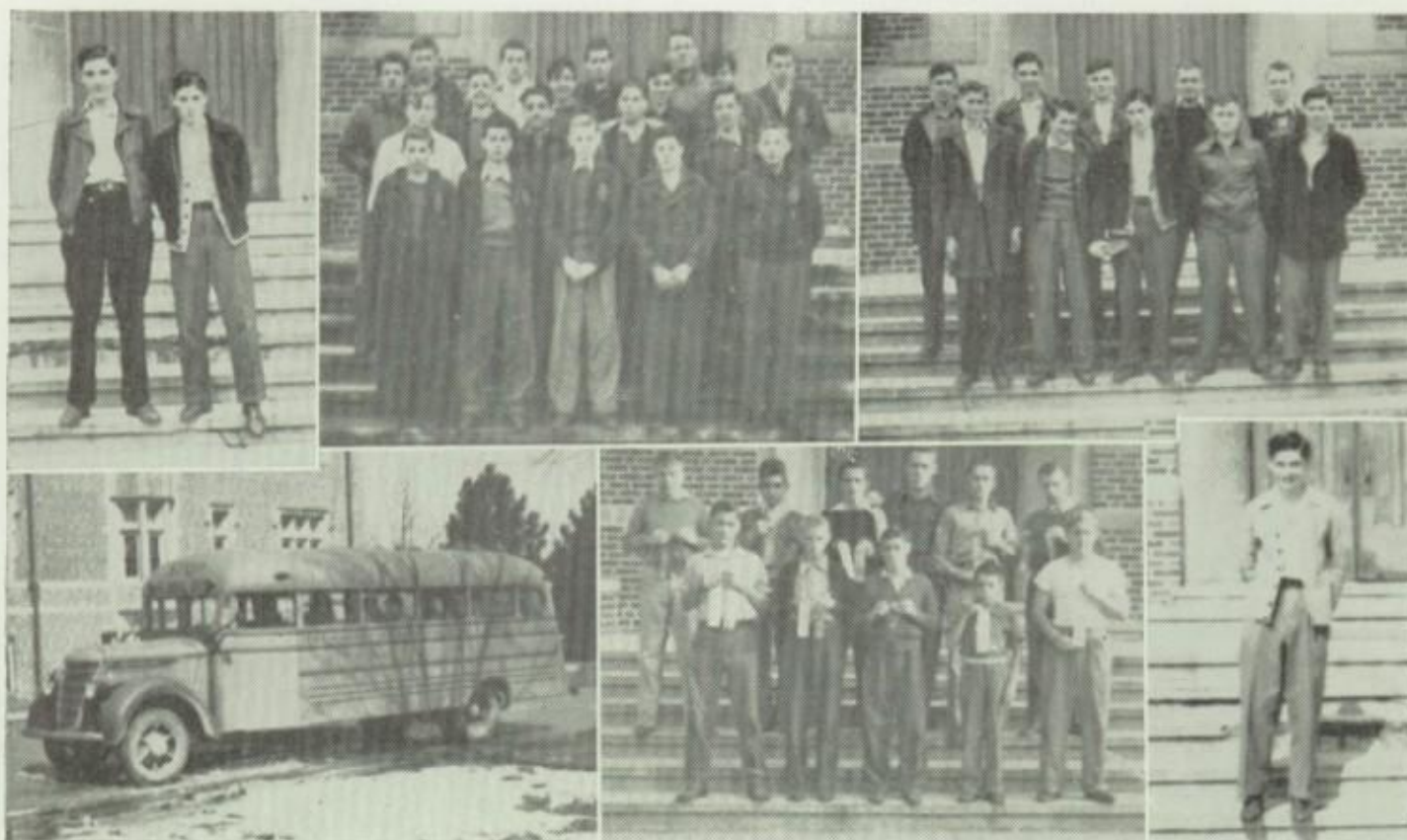
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Oh Mr. Schaffer!

Lyre Club

# Activities





## VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE

The Van Wert-Marsh Vocational Agriculture Department has made a success of the past year.

Although new ideas are being offered to the farmer, it is sometimes difficult for them to see the new change. By teaching them to the farm boy now, farming in the future will be modernized. Farming is an old industry, but it has many changes in store for the future.

Mr. Leonard, the Vocational Agriculture Advisor, tries, in a four year course, to cover as much of the farming industry as possible. The first two years farm crop production and animal husbandry are offered with farmshop. The Junior and Senior Farmers select Farm Engineering and Farm Soil and Management which are necessary to complete the four year course.

Each student is required to have projects and supervised practices. These are all done outside of school time. This year they have selected sixty-seven projects and forty-eight supervised projects which they aim to accomplish.

From the Agricultural Department come many of the boys who take part in our major sports and activities. Those who played football are: Richard Showalter, Vernon Palmer, Donald Furgeson, and Robert Jones. In basketball: Richard Baltzell. Student Council: Vernon Palmer and Paul Grubb.

To give you an idea of what has happened to the boys who have graduated from this course, eight are in the Army, six are in the Marines, three are in the Navy, two are in industry, five are overseas, and six are actually taking advantage of their accomplishments and have their own farms.



## TRADES AND INDUSTRIES

The Trades and Industries Department of the Van Wert Public School System was organized in cooperation with the Marsh Foundation School on September 1, 1939.

Any boy who has successfully completed his Sophomore year may enroll in this course at the beginning of his Junior year.

Each department has its own room used for shop instruction, and boys have shop all morning. In the afternoon they have subjects which are related to their particular course. For the study of the allied subjects they have a well-equipped drawing room, related science room, and a library.

There are fifty-five students enrolled in the course. Twenty-nine are taking machine shop, twelve are taking electricity, and fourteen are taking auto shop.

The teaching personnel consists of H. C. Miller, Coordinator; H. L. Todd, Auto Mechanics; W. L. Leatherman, Electricity; and J. L. Brown, Machine Shop.

In football the T. & I. was well represented by Gene Bebout, Jack Davis, Clide Ford, Lloyd Miller, Robert Grandstaff, Russell Buechner, Paul Sherman, Gene Wable, and Gene Miller. Many of these boys composed the starting line-up.

Basketball didn't have such a large representation but it was just as important. The players were: Gene Bebout, Clide Ford, and Robert Grandstaff.

Robert Brubaker represented the T. & I. as cheerleader. He always did a very good job.

Wayne Scott, who always performed nicely, was the drum major for the high school again this year.

Above all we must not forget those boys who went to do a greater service by entering the Armed Forces: Dale Taylor, Lloyd Miller, Harold Shaw, James Miller, Wayne Scott, and Harlan Taylor.

In a school no larger than ours we are very fortunate to have a branch such as this.



## STUDENT COUNCIL

The members of the Student Council by classes are:

Freshmen—Betsy Feigert, Virginia Phillipy, Charles Raabe, Virginia Seavy, Kent Speith.

Sophomore—Mildred Becker, Paul Grubb, Helen Kruse, Richard Mosier, Jim Showalter, Jack Thornton.

Junior—Angel Barrientos, Pat DeBolt, Richard Finch, Pat Hines, Elmer Hisey, Paul Sherman, David Summersett.

Senior—Robert Beams, Barbara Beard, Gene Bebout, Jack Clifton, Richard Ireton, Arthur Milligan, Vernon Palmer, Jim Stover, Allen Willmert.

These members were nominated by their class presidents and elected by their home rooms. The presidents automatically become members.

The officers for the year were Jack Clifton, President; Elmer Hisey, Vice President; and Mildred Becker, Secretary.

The chairmen and activities of the five squads are listed below.

The chairman of the Social Squad was Barbara Beard. This squad has charge of all school social affairs.

The chairman of the Assembly Squad was Pat DeBolt. This squad supervises all assembly programs and pep sessions.

The Conduct Squad has the patrolling of the halls as its main duty. Allen Willmert was chairman.

The vital job of procuring money was under the jurisdiction of Richard Ireton, who was chairman of the Finance Squad.

Helen Kruse was chairman of the Courtesy Squad, whose duty it is to welcome and assist all new students and to send greeting cards to sick students.

The Student Council also sponsored its three big annual activities: The sale of War Bonds and Stamps, Eighth Grade Visitation Day, and the Activities Ticket sales campaign.

The Student Council wishes to express its gratitude to our faculty advisors, Mr. Gallapoo and Miss Armstrong.



## SCARLET QUILL STAFF

"All copy due today!" Such was the call that went out on every other Friday in Room 101. On the Friday following this urgent call, the SCARLET QUILL staff members gathered in the Publication Office to prepare for the distribution of the finished product.

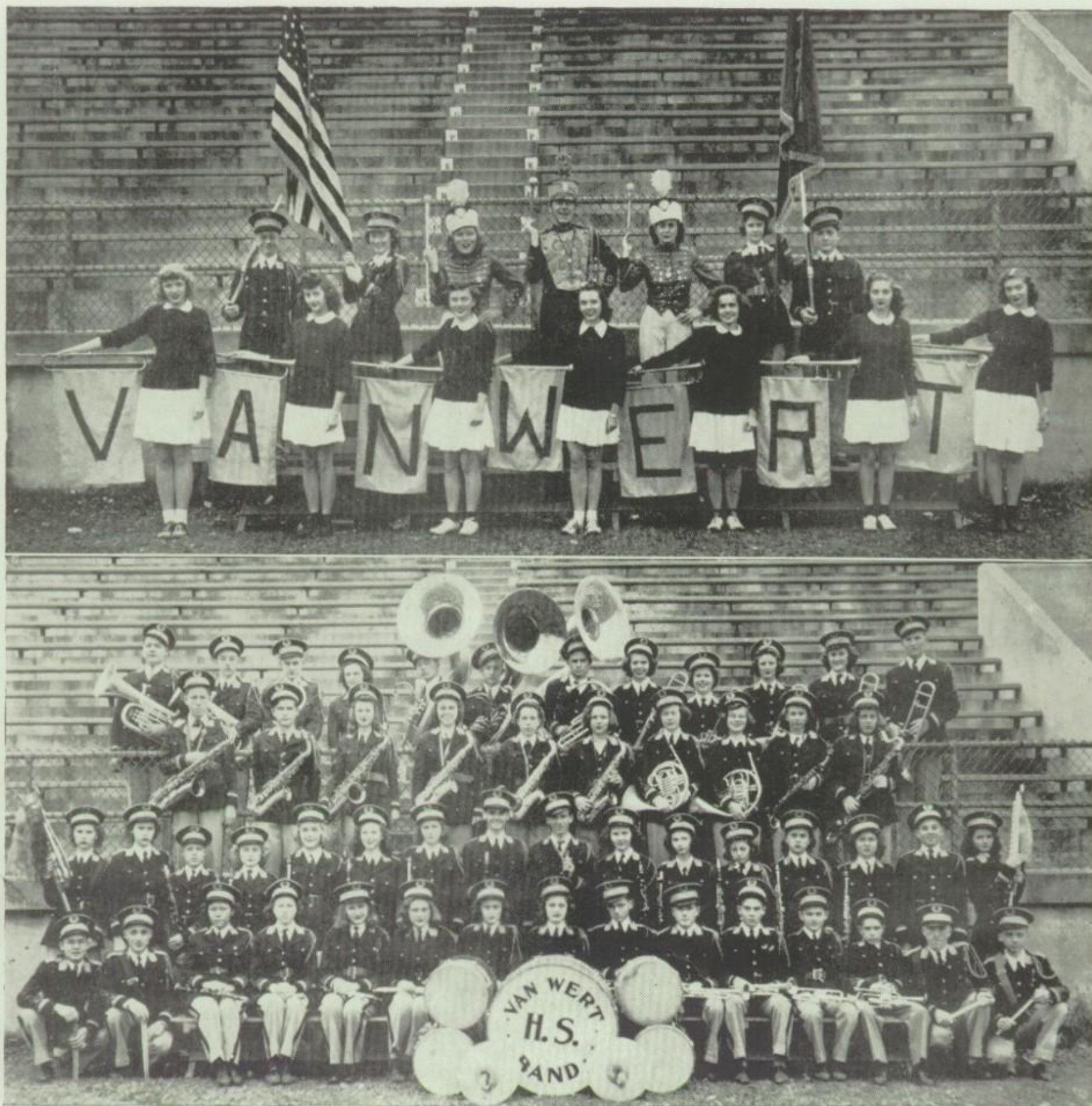
There were fourteen issues printed this year. With a circulation of 600, approximately 500 went to the student body, and the rest were put on file, sold outside, sent to service men, or exchanged with other schools.

Keeping in view the motto of the SCARLET QUILL, "For the good of the School," this year's staff has tried to find and print news stories and features which were of current interest to the student body and which they will enjoy reading in the future.

Upon publication of the first issue, a few of the staff members found certain jobs that they particularly liked, and continued them throughout the year. Each one on the staff had an opportunity during the year to try his hand at writing editorials, news stories, features, and headlines.

The 1943-44 staff included: Editor-in-Chief, Dorcas Owens; Joan Agler, David Balyeat, Pat Baxter, Barbara Beard, June Conley, Yvonne Gallapoo, Doris Green, Eleanor Hall, Yvonne Leatherman, Jackie Mahan, Rebecca Manship, Virginia Olberding, Bonnie Preston, Barbara Schreiner, Barbara Waugaman. Mr. Gallapoo was the faculty advisor.

The staff enjoyed publishing the SCARLET QUILL very much this year, and it is their most sincere wish that you received an equal amount of pleasure from it.



## BAND

The High School Senior Band started the year by appearing on the gridiron at all the home games and displaying many unique formations.

The most outstanding performance was given November 15 in observance of Armistice Day at the stadium. The senior band combined with the junior band formed on the center of the gridiron to the tune of "Over There" headed by the flags of the Allied nations.

The senior band formed the word "Peace" and the junior band formed 1918-194?; and, accompanied by the band, June Conley sang "This is Worth Fighting For." Then the senior band formed a cross and Barbara Beard recited "In Flanders Field." The ceremony was concluded with taps.

A pep band of about fifteen members, played at all the assemblies.

On March 27 and 28 Mr. Wolf presented his Annual Band Concert in the Lincoln Auditorium, which was filled to capacity.

As the curtains opened to the strains of "Victory Overture" by Beethoven, five flags were displayed against a background of red, white, and blue with silver stars. The flags were the "Bunker Hill," "Rattlesnake," "Grand Union," "The New American Flag of 1777," and "The American Flag from 1795 to 1818." These flags represented the theme of the concert, "As Old Glory Marches On."

After the concert the seventy members of the band were entertained at a formal party, which was given in place of the Annual Band Festival, which has been cancelled for the duration.

## ORCHESTRA

The Van Wert High School Orchestra spent another year in faithful practice and hard work under the direction of Mr. Leonard Wolf.

Music for both the Junior and Senior class plays and numerous other occasions was supplied by the orchestra. The orchestra has been very helpful in keeping up the morale of the school.

Students who compose the Orchestra are: Patricia Bagley and Coralie Severns, trombones; Doris Green and Allen Willmert, violins; Barbara Wilkie, oboe; Mary Lou Gribler, flute; Richard Green, cello; Carol Jean Harvey and Virginia Phillipy, clarinets; Helen Bolinger and Joan Ladd, saxophones; Cora May Walter, French horn; June Conley, string bass; Earl Zimmerman, trumpet; Jack Clifton, drums; and Sue Gocke, piano.





## JUNIOR CLASS PLAY

"EVERY FAMILY HAS ONE"

On November 19, 1943, at 8:00 P.M., the class of 1945 presented the annual Junior Class Play in the Lincoln Auditorium.

The Reardon family were quite happy because Marcia Reardon (Billie Brubaker) was soon to become the bride of Sherwin Parker (Dillon Rhodenbaugh). Her mother, Laura Reardon, (Winnifred Schaadt) was especially overjoyed because the Parkers were such a blue-blooded family. They were on the social register! Mr. Reardon (Guy Boyer) was delighted because Mr. Parker (Bill Soldner) was thinking of taking him as a business partner. Nana (Patricia Hines) was the only member of the family who realized that her granddaughter's heart was tuned to that of handsome Tod Galloway (Richard Finch.)

A wedding invitation was sent to all the relatives including Lily Reardon, the black-sheep of the family. However, it was a lucky thing that Lily (Peg Coupland) came because she convinced the Parkers that the Reardons were a completely crazy family and they decided to take their darling son back home. Nana then contrived to get Marcia and Tod together, and succeeded very nicely.

Before the play ended it was learned that the Lily who responded to the invitation was not the same Lily who was the family black-sheep. This fact was of special interest to Wally Reardon (Junior Hisey) the son of the family.

Penelope, eleven year old daughter of the Reardons (Rosalie Adams) and Essie, the maid (Ilo Williamson), supplied the laughs throughout the play. Phyllis Burley, who portrayed Mrs. Parker, was very convincing as a middle-aged snob.





## SENIOR CLASS PLAY

### "PRIDE AND PREJUDICE"

The '44 Senior Class presented "Pride and Prejudice" as its farewell performance, on April 28, 1944.

The setting is laid in England during the last decade of the Eighteenth Century. Quaint antique furniture and colorful Eighteenth Century costumes left the audience with the impression that they had really lived in the Bennet's time. Dick Ireton's goatee and mustache were real which helped to make the play authentic. The play takes place in a small town just fifty miles from London, Longborne, at the turn of the eighteenth century. The cast chosen from the try-outs is as follows:

Mrs. Bennet (Doris Green) fair, fat, and forty-five; and Mr. Bennet, her husband (Dick Ireton) figure and scheme ways of which they can get their five daughters married off to handsome and wealthy gentlemen. First there is Jane Bennet (Ruth Baltzell) the oldest and most beautiful of the daughters. Then Elizabeth Bennet (Jackie Mahan) the second daughter, not as pretty and attractive as her sister but remarkable for her quick wit and bubbling laughter. Next, Kitty Bennet (June Poling) the next older, pretty and peevish; and Mary Bennet (Barbara Beard) the third in line, with a test for music and the least attractive of the five sisters. Then Lydia Bennet (Barbara Waugaman) the youngest daughter, spoiled and headstrong but boisterous and full of vitality. Outside the family are Charles Bingley (Allen Willmert) a wealthy and agreeable young bachelor; Fitzwilliams Darcy (Paul Ross) Bingley's friend, proud and haughty; Caroline Bingley (Virginia Olberding) Bingley's handsome sister, but ill-natured, her manner much more formal than that of the Bennet's; Captain Wickham (Earl Barson) fascinating, but insincere, a young army officer, exceptionally good-looking; William Collins (Jim Davis) a pompous young rector, extremely conceited, about 25 years old; Hill (David Balyeat) the Bennet's butler; Lady Catherine De Burgh (Eleanor Hall) Darcy's aunt, a dominant woman of sixty with a heavy voice.

A capacity audience attended the play and seemed to enjoy it thoroughly.



## CHORUS

This year the Van Wert High School Chorus was composed of three separate groups. These were the freshmen, the sophomore, and the junior-senior choruses. There were also boys' and girls' organizations and various quartets and sextettes.

The chorus sang old, well-known carols for the Christmas program.

The annual choral concert was presented on March 14 and was well received. Besides the entire chorus of 145 voices a group of junior high school pupils gave several selections. The following program was given by the high school chorus:

Mixed Chorus—Beautiful Savior, Christianser; The Crimson Rose, Clokey; My Love Dwelt in a Northern Land, Elgar; Water Boy, Pitcher.

Boys' Chorus—Winter Song, Bullard; Shadow March, Cain; Oh, Miss Hannah, Deppen.

Boys' Quartet—Little Close Harmony, Grabel; Look Away to Heaven, Herbert.

Girls' Chorus—Calm Be Thy Sleep, Cain; American Prayer, Stock-Rose; Snow Legend, Clokey.

Boys' Quartet—Kentucky Babe, Grabel; I Had a Dream, Spaeth.

Mixed Chorus—There Are Such Things, Waring; Dark Water, James; Spirit of de Lord Done Fell, Cain; Tradi Nuka, Withol; Ode to America, Cain.

Vocal music in Van Wert High School is under the able direction of Mr. Harold Mohr.



## JUNIOR-SENIOR PROM

The Junior-Senior Prom was held on May 21 of last year in the Lincoln Auditorium. The festivities began at 8:30 with a novelty Grand March in the shape of a V led by Pat Baxter and Clyde Coon. Then Clyde Coon, on behalf of the Juniors, gave an address in which he welcomed the Seniors. Charles Zinsmaster, Senior Class president, responded, thanking the Juniors for Prom. This was followed by the singing of the Alma Mater, led by June Conley.

The auditorium was decorated to represent an old colonial garden with greenery all along the outside of the gym adding greatly to the atmosphere. On the stage the front of a very attractive colonial mansion was pictured. Refreshments of punch and cookies were served from a log cabin in one corner of the gym. At the other end was a lovely garden with an old-fashioned gate and fence around it. The chairs and swings in the garden accommodated those who didn't care to dance. The ceiling was of many colored strips of crepe paper and in the center were suspended numerous cotton balls.

Mac Finch and his orchestra from Kenton furnished excellent music for the evening. In the playroom cards and games were provided for those who wanted some diversion.

The Juniors thought hard and worked several months so that Prom would be long remembered by both classes, especially the Seniors.

The dance ended at 12:30. Slowly the crowd diminished and then every one realized that Prom for 1943 was over.



## EXCALIBUR STAFF

The conditions brought about by the war had their effects on the Excalibur. A shortage of zinc used in making plates has reduced the number of pictures. The scarcity and cost of paper has also reduced the number of pages. However the members of the Staff are grateful that we are able to publish the Excalibur this year.

The Staff is deeply indebted to Mr. Gallapoo, our advisor, for his patience and helpful advice. The solutions to many difficult problems were made easy by suggestions from him. We are likewise grateful to Miss Betty Heuter, our English advisor, for her grammatical assistance.

The following students are the Excalibur Staff members:

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## NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Early in the year the National Honor Society elected officers for the present school year. They are Yvonne Leatherman, president; Earl Barson, vice-president; and Dorcas Owens, secretary-treasurer. Other members elected last year were Barbara Beard, Virginia Olberding, and Allen Willmert.

On Tuesday, May 9, a very impressive ceremony was held in Lincoln Auditorium at which time the new members added their names to the list of the most illustrious students of by-gone years. The new members are Seniors—Jack Clifton, Yvonne Gallapoo, Susan Gocke, Doris Green, Eleanor Hall, Mary Hofmann, Richard Ireton, Arthur Milligan, Mildred Richey, Bonnie Preston, Paul Ross, and June Waitman; Juniors—Joanne Becker, Billie Jean Brubaker, Patty DeBolt, Richard Finch, Elmer Hisey, Winnifred Schaadt, and Carolyn Wyatt. We congratulate these new members.

Scholarship, Leadership, Character, and Service are the four principles of the National Honor Society. We feel sure that the members will live up to the standards of the high ideals of this society long after they have graduated. The keystone and flaming torch are the emblems of the organization. Scholarship and Character contribute to build a strong keystone, and Leadership and Service help us to carry the flaming torch, which lights the way to loyalty, honor, unselfishness, and high ambitions for our school.

We take this opportunity to pay tribute to Miss Hall, our very able advisor. Her great encouragement and her untiring effort to carry on the National Honor Society and its high standards is greatly appreciated by the members of this organization.

## THE GIRL RESERVE CLUB

"Ready for Service," the objective for the year, was well carried out by the Girl Reserve Club of 1943-44. Making bandages for Red Cross, repairing toys for children, Christmas caroling, making service men's scrapbooks, and helping with publicity for the school and Y. W. C. A. are some of the accomplishments of the Girl Reserves.

A lovely Mother and Daughter tea was held at the Y. W. C. A. in October to open the G. R. year. This was followed by an Open House, an evening of fun, for all prospective members. Then after the induction service the club settled down to its service projects and regular meetings with speakers, debates and discussions. The "Jorg Jump," the Girl Reserve social event of the year furnished a good time for students of the high school.

The Easter assembly was very impressive. Each year it is sponsored by the G. R., and this year it was especially impressive. Arranged by Mary Dannecker and a committee, the program consisted of an address by Rev. Martz, hymns by the students, selections by the choir, and a candlelight procession.

The Girls Reserves, who are the junior members of the Y. W. C. A., meet twice a month, Monday evening at 7:30. They are affiliated with both the Y. W. C. A. and the high school. The club is under the leadership of a president, cabinet, and sponsors. Following are the officers for this year: President, Virginia Olberding; Vice President, Winnifred Schaadt; Secretary, Bonne Preston; Treasurer, June Poling. The various chairmen of committees are: devotions, Mary Dannecker; publicity, Barbara Schreiner; program, Eleanor Hall; courtesy, Mildred Becker; social, Jacqueline Mahan. The sponsor is Miss Betty Hueter.



## HI-Y

This year the whole tempo of the school has increased and this change of pace has been manifest in the activities of the Hi-Y.

Of the three officers, Allen Willmert, President; Vernon Palmer, Vice President; and Jack Clifton, Secretary-Treasurer; only the President and Secretary-Treasurer were able to attend Camp Nelson Dodd this summer.

Vernon Palmer and Richard Finch attended the Ohio Area council at Columbus during Thanksgiving. The Van Wert Club has also been host to two district meets.

The program this year has been quite different from former years in that, because of the war, out of town speakers are unobtainable and local men are extremely busy. Nevertheless we had several faculty members in as speakers and held several excellent discussions ranging in subject from Frank Sinatra vs. Bing Crosby to questions concerning the United States and our part in the war and peace to follow.

As a community service project, the Hi-Y sponsored a Halloween Party for the grade school children of the city to help keep them off the streets and out of mischief.

The Hi-Y also had its own Halloween Party and annual Ladies' Night Party. It is needless to say a good time was had by all.

The Hi-Y gave its annual Thanksgiving assembly and assisted the G. R. in sponsoring a school mixer.

The biggest project of the Hi-Y this year has been a campaign to get the students to write to the service men.

The Hi-Y gives a vote of thanks to our faculty advisors, Mr. Gallapoo and Mr. Mason, and the local Y. M. C. A. Secretary, Mr. Grubb, for their help and guidance.

Taken all in all, this has been a busy year for the Van Wert Hi-Y.

## HOME ECONOMICS CLUB

The Home Economics Club is composed of the Home Economic classes and any other students of Van Wert High School who wish to join. There are twenty-two members.

Officers for this year were: Thelma Kiehl, President; Marcia Morgan, Vice President; Joyce Frick, Secretary-Treasurer; and Miss Mary Sawyer, Advisor.

A candle light meeting was held at which the new officers were installed and the new members initiated.

The club meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month. The Executive committee meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month. This committee is made up of the officers, advisor, and three members chosen from the club.

The club consists of four different classes, each having its own problems. The first class has lab problems. This prepares them to have the appropriate clothing for laboratory work. The second class takes up clothing problems, food planning and food preservation problems. The third and fourth classes alternate. The third class studies tailoring, home management, and home care of the sick. Class number four studies family relations, home planning, and home equipment. The classes as a whole have been studying food rationing carefully.

Money needed for the advancement of the club has been raised by operating a refreshment stand at all of the home football games. Plans were made to re-decorate the serving room with this money. If it is found impossible to purchase the equipment needed, the money will be invested in War Bonds.

The club's belief is not "all work and no play" because they have had many potlucks, teas, and other parties.

Several delegates from Van Wert's Home Ec Club attended the District Home Economics Meeting at Celina, Ohio, and the Ohio Home Economics Association at Columbus, Ohio.

## F. F. A.

The Van Wert Future Farmers of America, the organization for students of vocational agriculture, has completed another successful year. We elected Vernon Palmer, President; Jerald Muntzinger, Vice President; Robert Davidson, Secretary; Richard Poling, Reporter; Richard Showalter, "Watch Dog"; and J. H. Leonard, Advisor.

This summer two of our boys from the Van Wert-Marsh Chapter attended Youth Camp located at Leesville Dam. Vernon Palmer, our Senior Class President, was elected District Vice President of the Ohio Organization of Future Farmers of America.

There were also six state farmers elected: Vernon Palmer, Kenneth Holland, Richard Longworth, Robert Davidson, Jerald Muntzinger, and Oscar Hoffman.

Greenhand, Future Farmer, State Farmer, and American Farmer are the four ranks which a boy may achieve during his high school career.

Last summer the Van Wert Chapter received the Gold Medal in the State Chapter Contest.

We have spent \$3500 for War Bonds during the past year.

We hold meetings once a month with a guest speaker for each and a group of boys in charge.

The Chapter has two teams in High School intramurals. In December, 1943, the Club made a broadcast over the Ohio State University Broadcasting Station, WOSU.

The Chapter also initiated four honorary members. These men, selected because they have aided the organization in some way, are Lewis Cooper, F. E. Shaffer, E. F. Ireland, and Holmes Stoops.

Altogether there are thirty-three members in the chapter, twenty-nine of whom are in school.



Summer  
Pals (?)  
Oh my No. 18's!

Bonnie  
Show-off

Them were the days  
Now, they're Seniors

Big mans  
Times have changed

Winter  
Left holding the pot

Bum(p)s on a log

8:29

Where's the ball?

## BACCALAUREATE SERVICES

Van Wert High School  
Sunday, May 28, 1944—7:30 P. M.  
Stadium

### PROGRAM

Processional, "Marche Noble".....	Bach
Van Wert High School Band	
Invocation.....	Dr. E. E. Snyder
"Faith of Our Fathers," by the audience.....	Directed by Harold E. Mohr
Accompanied by Van Wert High School Band	
"I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked".....	O'Hara
Van Wert High School Choir	
Scripture Lesson.....	Rev. Charles T. Martz
"Bless The Lord, O My Soul".....	Ivanof
Van Wert High School Choir	
Baccalaureate Sermon.....	Rev. Kenneth S. Leary
Benediction.....	Rev. Fred Ross
"The Lord Bless You and Keep You".....	Lutkins
Van Wert High School Choir	
Recessional, "Marche Courageous".....	G. E. Holmes
Van Wert High School Band	
Van Wert High School	
Wednesday, May 31, 1944—7:30 P. M.	
Stadium	

## COMMENCEMENT

### PROGRAM

Processional, "Pomp and Circumstances".....	Edward Elgar
Van Wert High School Band	
Invocation.....	Rev. F. I. Willmert
National Anthem, by the Audience.....	Directed by Harold E. Mohr
Accompanied by Van Wert High School Band	
Trombone Solo, "At Dawning".....	C. W. Cadman
Patricia Joan Bagley, Accompanied by Van Wert High School Band	
Quartet, "In The Merry Spring".....	Ravenscroft
Pat Kimmel	Allen Willmert
Eleanor Hall	Ronald Stuck
Barbara Beard	Paul Ross
Virginia Olberding	Dick Ireton
Class Address .....	"Beyond The Horizon"
Mr. Arthur C. Horrocks	
Presentation of Class.....	Mr. C. A. Baden
Principal, Van Wert High School	
Presentation of Diplomas.....	Mr. C. W. Williman
President, Board of Education	
"America," by the Audience.....	Directed by Harold E. Mohr
Accompanied by Van Wert High School Band	
Benediction.....	Rev. V. I. Sullivan
Recessional, "University Grand March".....	Edwin Frando Goldman
Van Wert High School Band	

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

## SEPTEMBER

- 13—Welcome Freshmen!!!
- 14—We miss those Seniors of last year, but the Freshmen are a large class.
- 15—Cheer leader tryouts—14 contestants yell their lungs out.
- 16—4th day of school!!
- 17—First Football game; Van Wert 33, Bryan 0.
- 18—Ah, sleep once again!
- 19—Church—because it's Sunday.
- 20—Freshmen *still* wonder what it's all about.
- 21—Second week of school.
- 22—First day of autumn (Fall to you).
- 23—Ran into a Freshman that I knew.
- 24—Football, Van Wert 33, Defiance 0.
- 25—Another Saturday.
- 26—Homework at the 11th hour.
- 27—Day of Atonement?
- 28—Only 88 shopping days till Christmas.
- 29—Wednesday—Stores close this afternoon.
- 30—Last day of September.

## OCTOBER

- 1—Football, Van Wert 20, Kenton 0. Mixer.
- 2—Recovery from a big evening.
- 3—Day of rest.
- 4—G. A. A. hike at Willow Bend.
- 5—Getting used to the idea of going to school at 8:30 a. m. 5 days a week.
- 6—Did it rain today?
- 7—Gosh! Home work!!
- 8—Football, Van Wert 20, Bluffton 0. Class Officers elected.
- 9—Some one probably had a date.
- 10—"I met her on Sunday."
- 11—Do I have to go to school?
- 12—Columbus Day—Hi-Y.
- 13—No Hi-Y meeting.
- 14—Barbara Waugaman's Natal day.
- 15—Football, Van Wert 32, Bellefontain 7; also first issue of *The Scarlet Quill*.
- 16—Hit Parade—Ah Sinatra!
- 17—Church again.
- 18—Army day—ooh, you men!
- 19—Assembly at Lincoln, Science Demonstration.
- 20—Only 66 shopping days till Christmas.
- 21—Tomorrow is last day of six weeks.
- 22—Football, Van Wert 21, Wapak 0.
- 23—Rationing starts next week.
- 24—Fewer steadies this year.
- 25—Have you been to the Rendezvous?
- 26—Hi-Y.
- 27—"Smokey" S. and Dorcas O. have been seen together a lot lately; by the way, old chappie, how did you like *your* grade card?
- 28—Football, Van Wert 18, Lima Central 7.
- 29—Vacation (North Western Ohio Teachers Association Meeting at Toledo).
- 30—Teachers are still gone.
- 31—Halloween—It would have to come on Sunday!

## NOVEMBER

- 1—All Saints Day.
- 2—More and more Home Work.
- 3—School started at 8:30 a. m. and let out at 3:45 p. m.
- 4—Happy Birthday! It must be somebody's birthday.
- 5—Football, Van Wert 26, St. Marys 12.
- 6—Got up at 6:30, watered the chickens, fed the hogs, etc., etc. (Who am I kidding??)
- 7—Tired after yesterday's work.
- 8—Start of 9th week of school.
- 14—Sunday, as usual.
- 15—Recognition Assembly for football squad.
- 16—School is *dull* isn't it, but then there was Hi-Y tonight anyway.
- 17—More and more H. W. (Home Work).
- 18—One week till Thanksgiving.
- 19—Junior Class Play "Every Family Has One."
- 22—Girl Reserve meeting.
- 23—Hi-Y.
- 24—Thanksgiving Assembly by Hi-Y.

- 9—What! you weren't prepared in English? (Confidentially neither was I.)
- 10—Fourth Ward Operetta.
- 11—Armistice Day. Hot Dawg—No School!
- 12—Football, Van Wert 18, Celina 0. Also *Scarlet Quill*.
- 13—Just finished reading my Quill.

- 25—Thanksgiving Day. Yippie, no school.
- 26—Vacation.
- 27—Gorged myself on turkey sandwiches.
- 28—Dismal Sunday.
- 29—Cloudy today.
- 30—Hi-Y.

## DECEMBER

- 1—Wrote a letter to Santy Claus.
- 2—23 shopping days 'til Christmas.
- 3—Dance at the "Y."
- 6—Rain today.
- 7—Anniversary of Pearl Harbor.
- 8—Received grade cards.
- 9—Wonder if Santy has that letter yet?
- 10—Basketball, Van Wert 23, Greenville 36.
- 11—Worked hard!
- 13—More School.
- 14—Only 7 more days till Christmas Vacation.
- 15—First Ward Operetta.

- 16—Choir practice.
- 17—Five days till Christmas Vacation.
- 18—Christmas rush—everybody working.
- 19—Sunday again.
- 20—Christmas issue of *Quill*—6 pages!!
- 21—First day of Winter.
- 22—"I'm dreaming of a White Christmas."
- 23—Christmas Program today—Hot Ziggity, no more School this year.
- 24—Last minute shopping.
- 25—Merry Christmas.

## JANUARY

- 1—HAPPY NEW YEAR.
- 2—Sure glad I don't have a hangover!
- 3—Ah! Well, Vacation must end sometime.
- 4—Miss Hueter was speaker at Hi-Y.
- 5—G. A. A. meeting.
- 6—Epiphany.
- 7—We beat Bellefontaine 34-28.
- 8—Seniors trading class pictures.
- 9—Went ice skating.
- 10—Girl Reserve meeting.
- 11—Student Council Meeting, Hi-Y.
- 12—Home Ec. Club Chili supper.
- 13—Yvonne Leatherman elected President of National Honor Society.
- 14—Baer Field Orchestra was here to-

- day, and we got *The Scarlet Quill*; we beat St. Marys 66-27.
- 17—Mr. Mason was absent today.
- 18—Hi-Y; beat Paulding 47-28.
- 19—Mr. Baden walked down the hall.
- 20—Choir Practice.
- 21—End of semester. Celina won 35-21.
- 24—Printing Class started officially today.
- 25—Excalibur Staff and Student Council pictures were taken today.
- 26—Caught chewing gum again.
- 27—Washed my hair and can't do a thing with it.
- 28—Van Wert 35, Wapak 38.
- 31—Mr. Smith spoke at G. R. meeting.

## FEBRUARY

- 1—Van Wert 33, Defiance 25.
- 2—Ground Hog Day.
- 3—Happy Birthday!
- 4—Mixer—Van Wert 23, Delphos 24.
- 7—G. R. Meeting.
- 8—Hi-Y.
- 9—Keep up the good work, Bondadears.
- 10—Any Leap Year Day.
- 11—Van Wert 36, Bluffton 62; Snow—Chili Supper.

- 15—Hi-Y.
- 16—Checked up on Bond Sales.
- 17—Same old routine!
- 18—Van Wert 45; Kenton 51; Mixer.
- 21—Jorg Jump.
- 22—Washington's Birthday. Hi-Y.
- 23—Ash Wednesday. Van Wert 50, Bryan 23.
- 24—National Honor Society Induction in Delphos.
- 25—Don't forget your nickel.

- 12—Van Wert 29, Lima South 47; also  
Lincoln's Birthday.  
14—St. Valentine's Day.

- 28—G. R. meeting.  
29—Hi-Y.

## MARCH

- 1—Came in like a lion?  
2—Home Work!!  
3—Basketball Tournament begins. We  
won, we're Champs!! Yippie, Hip!  
Hip! Hooray!  
6—First Monday in March.  
7—Defiance vs. Van Wert.  
8—For a change I spent a quiet evening  
at home.  
9—Got my Prom Date, at last.  
10—File Federal Income Tax—Won  
District Tournament.  
11—Senior scholarship test.  
13—Ginny O. attended D. A. R. State  
Conference. Also Cecil Isbell spoke

- at Athletic Banquet.  
14—Choral Concert, and very nice too.  
15—Last day to file Federal Tax returns.  
Army-Navy tests.  
17—Scholarship tests, nice going kids.  
20—First day of Spring.  
25—Hi-Y conference.  
26—Passion Sunday.  
27—The History of our Flag was the  
Theme of the Band Concert.  
28—Band Concert, still going strong.  
29—Leap Year. Oh! Girls!!  
30—"Fireman Save My Child."  
31—Bunny Club.

## APRIL

- 1—April Fool's Day, did you get  
fooled?  
2—Palm Sunday.  
3—The day after the night before.  
4—Senior Class Play practice.  
5—Eighth Grade Visitation Day.  
6—G. R. Assembly.  
7—Good Friday.  
8—First day of Passover.  
9—Easter (Did you get a new outfit?)  
10—No school.  
11—C. M. Smith spoke to Hi-Y.  
12—Senior Class Play Committees  
chosen.

- 13—Boys Physical Ed. classes undertake  
swimming program.  
14—Cartoon Crawl.  
15—Slept.  
16—Church again.  
17—6th six weeks begin.  
18—Day before grade cards—Oh!!!  
20—Day after grade cards. I'm still sick.  
21—Formal Band Party.  
25—All of Excalibur went to press.  
26—Studied for State Scholarship Test.  
27—Dress rehearsal.  
28—Scholarship test; Senior Class play  
"Pride and Prejudice."

## MAY

- 1—First day of May (May Day).  
2—Second day of Activity Ticket  
Drive.  
3—Home Nursing Course completed.  
4—27 days till Commencement, Yip-  
pee!!  
5—Hi-Y Ladies' Night.  
8—Gotta get up!  
9—Induction of National Honor So-  
ciety.  
12—Elks Formal Party.  
14—Mothers' Day.

- 15—Getting closer—O! Boy!  
18—Ascension Day.  
19—Junior-Senior Prom.  
20—Baseball District Tournament.  
22—Maritime Day.  
26—Recognition Assembly.  
28—Baccalaureate Speaker was Rev.  
Kenneth S. Learey; also Whit  
Sunday.  
30—Memorial Day—No School.  
31—Comencement Speaker was Mr.  
Arthur Horrocks of Akron.

## JUNE

- 1—"School's out, School's out. Teacher let the Mules Out!"

# Graduates of 1943

Branson Agler.....	Army Air Cadet	Patricia Dull.....	Ohio State
Barbara Lou Allen.....		University, Columbus, Ohio	
.....	Nurses Training at Lima, Ohio	Gloria Elder.....	Container Office
Rodger L. Alspach.....	State Highway	Lila Etter.....	Ration Board
Department, Columbus, Ohio		Phyllis Jean Evans.....	Lima, Ohio
Boneta Anderson.....	National Seal	Beth Ann Fiegert.....	
Carl Anderson.....	United States Navy	.....	Nursing School, Cincinnati, Ohio
Richard Armstrong.....	Army Air Cadet	Kenneth Fetter .....	Seabees
Calvin Baer.....	United States Navy	Clayton Ford.....	United States Army
Ruth Baer.....	National Seal	Josephine Forste....	Fort Wayne, Indiana
Arnold Baker, Jr.....	United States Navy	Helen Fox.....	
Marcia Balyeat.....	Ohio State	.....	Miami University, Oxford, Ohio
University, Columbus, Ohio		Edward Frericks.....	
Walter Balliet.....	United States Army	.....	United States Army Air Corps
Arthur Barrientos....	United States Navy	Margaret Furrell.....	General
Robert Barrientos, U. S. Tank Destroyers		Electric, Fort Wayne, Indiana	
Betty Jean Bates.....	Van Wert	Margaret Joan Gabriel.....	
Manufacturing Company		.....	Container Company
Helen Louise Bates.....	Kennedy	Helen Gamble.....	
Manufacturing Company		.....	Patterson Field, Dayton, Ohio
Leona Bebout.....	National Seal	Elba Rose Garver, Ohio Power Company	
Joanna Beemer.....	Fort Wayne, Indiana	Patricia Graham.....	Container Company
Helen Irene Bell....	Ohio Power Company	Arthur Green.....	United States Navy
Mildred Rose Bell.....	Deisel Wemmer	Margaret Ellen Greenewald.....	
Gilbert Corporation		.....	Nursing School, Columbus, Ohio
Paul Bodkins.....	United States Army	Rex Griffis....	United States Marine Corps
Betty Bodiger.....	Ohio Theatre	Helen Gunsett, Ohio Northern University	
Mary Louise Brake..	Container Company	Bernard Haines.....	United States Army
Hazel Bresler.....	Kennedy	Margery Hamman .....	Nursing
Manufacturing Company		School, Fort Wayne, Indiana	
Robert Malcolm Brown.....		Kenneth Harr.....	Schines
.....	United States Army Air Corps	Betty Jane Hartmier....	Container Office
Martha Busch.....		Mary Louise Hiles.....	Virginia
.....	Central Fire Insurance Company	Betty Hisey....	Times-Bulletin Newspaper
Barbara Clark.....	Dennison University	Marceile Hoghe.....	Lima Tank Depot
Barbara Click.....	Container Office	Kenneth Holland.....	United States Army
Howard Cobb.....	United States Army	Bernice Huhn.....	Fort Wayne, Indiana
William Collins.....	United States Navy	Chester Hunter.....	United States Army
Edna Lorraine Collier....	Recorder Office	Elizabeth Imler.....	County Deputy
Myrtle Collins.....	Rationing Board	Barbara Jones.....	Container Company
Betty Conley.....	Married	Donna Marie Johnson.....	Art School
Sarah Cook....	Nurses Training, Lima, O.	(Interior Decoration) Cincinnati	
Viola Cook.....	Detroit, Michigan	Phyllis Keil.....	
Doyt Cox.....	United States Army	.....	Miami University, Oxford, Ohio
Virginia Crowe.....	Clark's Shoe Store	Harold Keith.....	United States Army
John Curtis.....	United States Navy	Barbara Kenyon.....	Nursing School at
Dorothy Davis.....	Dayton, Ohio	Ohio State University, Columbus	
Audrey Dickson.....	Container Company	Geraldine Kinder.....	WAVES
Betty Ditto.....	National Seal	Herbert Klewer.....	United States Navy
Norma Ditto.....	National Seal	Isabelle Knittle..	Central Manufacturing
Goldie Dixon.....	Kennedy	Robert Kreischer....	Container Company
Manufacturing Company		Betty Ladd.....	Alliance, Ohio

Richard Longworth.....	Lima Tank Depot
.....United States Army Air Corps	
Pat Maher.....	Seabees
.....Maher Coal Yard	
Joan Mason.....	Container
.....Ohio State	
.....University, Columbus, Ohio	
David McConahay.....	Company, Van Wert, Ohio
.....United States Marine Corps	
Peg McKeddie.....	Seabees
.....Columbus, Ohio	
Bud Monroe.....	Heidelberg College
.....United States Navy V-12	
Daniel Morris.....	Honorably Discharged
.....Lima Tank Depot	
Betty Mullen.....	Montella Thomas.....
.....Kennedy Kit	.....Central Insurance Company
Fred Mullen.....	Violet Thomas.....
.....Y. M. C. A.	.....Nurses Training, Lima, Ohio
John Oswalt.....	John Truax.....
.....United States Navy	.....United States Navy
Mark Painter.....	Linus Unterbrink.....
.....United States Army	.....United States Navy
Ervin Place.....	Juanita Vaske.....
.....Marsh	Margaret Wade.....
.....Foundation, Van Wert, Ohio	.....Bible School
Robert Pritchard.....	Harley Walls.....
.....	.....United States Army
Edith Raabe.....	Ned Walters.....
.....Nursing School, Western Reserve	.....United States Marine Corps
Barbara Raye.....	Cloyd Waltz.....
.....Fort Wayne, Indiana	.....Farm
Martha Remmy.....	Mendall Webb.....
.....Miami University, Oxford, Ohio	.....United States Army Air Corps
Marjorie Rhoades.....	Alice Weber.....
.....National Seal	.....New Haven, Indiana
Jean Roggenkemper.....	Jack Weigle.....
.....Nursing	.....United States Army
.....School, Fort Wayne, Indiana	Permilla Wherry.....
Nancy Ross.....	.....Marsh Office
.....Dayton, Ohio	Marjorie Ann Wilkie.....
Leah Salisbury.....	.....Container Office
.....Lima Tank Depot	Donald Wolf.....
Russell Sharp.....	.....United States Army
.....United States Navy	Milo Clarence Wyandt.....
Donald D. Shaw.....	.....United States Navy
.....United States Navy Air Corps	Ronald Young.....
Marilyn Shoop.....	.....Army Air Corps
.....Library, Van Wert, Ohio	Theron Young.....
Lois Sink.....	.....United States Navy
.....Van Wert Overall Company	Robert Zeigler.....
Eileen Smith.....	.....United States Army
.....People's Bank, Van Wert, Ohio	Charles Zinsmaster.....
Doyt Spridgeon.....	.....Navy Air Corps
.....Container	Lois Zinsmeister.....
.....Company, Van Wert, Ohio	.....Toledo Nurses' Training



## Van Wert High School Graduates Now In Armed Forces

Abbott, Walter .....	Army Air Corps	Brubaker, Raymond .....	Army
Adams, Harry .....	Army	Burley, Robert .....	Army
(Honorably discharged)		Burnett, Wendell .....	Army
Agler, Harvey .....	Army	Brooks, Clifford .....	Army
Agler, John .....	Army	Campbell, Kenneth .....	Army
Agler, Joseph .....	Army	Carothers, Frank .....	Army
Agner, James .....	Army	Carpenter, Duane .....	Army
Alban, Paul .....	Army	Carter, Eugene .....	Army
Albright, Charles .....	Marines	Carter, Lloyd .....	Army
Allen, David .....	Army	Carter, Raymond .....	Army
Allen, William .....	Army	Chambers, Robert .....	Army
Allgere, Harold .....	Navy	Chidester, Paul .....	Army
Anderson, Carl .....	Army	Clark, Henry .....	Army
Anderson, Clarence .....	Navy	Clyton, Don .....	Army
Anderson, Thorvald .....	Army Air Corps	Clifton, Richard .....	Army
Argenbright, Frank .....	Army	Cobb, Forrest Howard, Army Air Corps	
Armstrong, Richard .....	Army Air Corps	Coffelt, Stanley .....	Army
Atkinson, Paul .....	Army	Cole, Frances .....	Navy
Atha, Don .....	Army	Combs, Kenneth .....	Army
Baer, Calvin .....	Navy	Comer, Leroy .....	Army
Baer, William .....	Army	Conley, Richard .....	Army
Bailey, Harold .....	Army	Conn, Kenneth .....	Marines
Bailey, Nathan .....	Army	Conn, Webster .....	Coast Guard
Baker, Charles .....	Army	Coon, John .....	Navy
Baker, Waldo .....	Army	Coon, Otis .....	Army
Balliet, Walter E. ....	Army	Cox, Austin .....	Marines
Barrientos, Arthur .....	Navy	Craig, Gordon .....	Army
Barrientos, Bob .....	Army	(Honorably discharged)	
Barga, John .....	Army	Custer, Doyt .....	Army
Baxter, Gorden .....	Army	Cress, David .....	Army
Baxter, Lavn .....	Army	Curtis, John .....	Navy
Baxter, Robert .....	Army	Dally, Benjamin .....	Army
Beam, William .....	Army	Daniel, Walter .....	Army
Beamer, Virgel .....	Navy	Daniels, Charles .....	Army
Beavo, Jack .....	Army	Dasher, Robert .....	Army
Beck, Vernon .....	Army	Davis, Jack .....	Army
Beemer, Ben .....	Army	Davis, Sam .....	Army
Bender, Robert .....	Army	Deal, George .....	Army
Bodkins, Paul .....	Army	Denig, Jack .....	Army
Bollenbacher, Don .....	Army	Devine, Don .....	Army
Bonnewitz, Paul .....	Army	Demoss, Murray .....	Army
Borchers, George .....	Army	Dickson, Harlan .....	Army
Boroff, Gerald .....	Navy	Dippery, Frank .....	Army Air Corps
Boroff, Herbert .....	Navy	Doring, Leo .....	Army (Gold)
Bowers, Gerald .....	Army	Duprey, Wayne .....	Army
Bowers, Richard .....	Army	East, Leonard .....	Army
Brake, Kenneth .....	Army	Easterling, Carl .....	Army Air Corps
Brittsan, Forrest .....	Army	Edsall, Robert .....	
Brotherwood, James .....	Army Air Corps	Edwards, Thomas .....	Army
Brown, Alva .....	Army	Eister, Ralph .....	Army
Brown, Hoyt .....	Army	Elder, Graydon .....	Army
Brown, Jack .....	Army	Endsley, Floyd .....	Army
Brown, Malcolm .....	Army Air Corps	English, Robert .....	Army Air Corps
Brown, Robert .....	Army	Eschbach, Robert .....	Seabees

Evans, David .....	Army	Hyer, Jack .....	Navy
Evans, Harry .....	Army	Jackson, Allen .....	Army
Fackler, Ervin .....	Army	Jerome, Maynard .....	Marines
Feigert, Marion .....	Army	Jerome, Richard .....	Army
Feigert, Paul .....	Navy	Johnson, Marvin .....	Army
Feigert, Richard .....	Army	Jones, Richard .....	Army
Feckler, Jack .....	Navy	Jordan, Leo .....	Army
Felger, George .....	Army	Karn, Robert .....	Army Air Corps
Fell, William .....	Army Air Corps	Kear, Kenneth .....	Navy
Fetter, Kenneth .....	Seabees	Keihl, Clifford .....	Army
Ferris, Robert .....	Army	Keipper, Lawrence .....	Army
Fillmer, Frank .....	Army	Keipper, Paul .....	Marines
Fleming, James .....	Army	Keipper, Robert .....	Army
Fleming, Ronald .....	Army	King, Edward .....	Navy
Foote, Don .....	Army	King, Richard .....	Army Air Corps
Ford, Clayton .....	Army	King, Robert .....	Army
Ford, Gilford .....	Army	Kissel, Arthur .....	Navy
Fouty, Walter .....	Marines	Kleen, John .....	Navy
Fox, Adelbert .....	Army	Klein, Gene .....	Army
Fox, Jack, .....	Army	Klendworth, Jack .....	Army Air Corps
Fox, James .....	Army	Klewer, Herbert .....	Navy
Francis, Eugene .....	Navy	Klewer, Leonard .....	Army
Fraylick, Bell .....	Army	Kreischer, Donald .....	Army
Fraylick, James .....	Army	Kreischer, Gaylord .....	Army
Freemonth, Melvin .....	Army	Kreischer, Norman .....	Marines
Freemonth, Elmer .....	Army	Kreischer, Richard .....	Army
Gallaway, Edgar .....	Navy	Krugh, Max .....	Army Air Corps
(Honorably discharged)		Kuckein, Arthur .....	Army
Gallaway, Everett .....	Army	LaRue, Dale .....	Marines
Gallaway, Stanley .....	Navy	Leatherman, Rodger .....	Army
Gamble, Donald .....	Army	Lee, Graydon .....	Army
Geary, Neill .....	Army	Leffel, William .....	Navy
Glander, Lester .....	Army	Leiter, Federick .....	Army
Good, Bill .....	Navy	Leiter, Gerald .....	Army
Good, R. H. ....	Army	Leiter, McClelland .....	Army
Goodwin, Paul .....	Army	Leist, Otis .....	Navy
Green, Stephen Arthur .....	Navy	LeValley, Walter .....	Navy
Gribler, Forest .....	Army	Lendsay, Julian .....	Army
Griffis, Lloyd .....	Army Air Corps	Lininger, Richard .....	Army
Grindle, Thomas .....	Navy	Lockard, Fred .....	Army
Guinn, Robert .....	Army	Longworth, Carl .....	Army Air Corps
Haines, Bernard .....	Army	Longworth, Eugene .....	Army
Haines, Deo .....	Army	Louth, James .....	Navy
Haines, Leo .....	Army	Lower, Carl .....	Army (Gold)
Hall, Thaddeus .....	Navy	Luce, John .....	Army
Hammond, Cliff .....	Army Air Corps	Lybarger, Arthur .....	Army Air Corps
Hammond, Eugene .....	Army	Mager, Robert .....	Army
Harmon, Joe .....	Army	Maney, John .....	Army
Heath, Robert .....	Marines	Manship, James .....	Marines
Heath, Walter Robert .....	Army	Manship, Robert .....	Navy
Henry, Charles .....	Army	Marsh, Jack .....	Navy
Hipsley, Harold .....	Army	Martin, Freeman .....	Army Air Corps
Hoffman, Walter .....	Army	Martz, Junior .....	Navy
Hogue, Clark .....	Army	Maxan, Homer .....	Army Air Corps
Holbrook, Dennis .....	Army	May, Don .....	Army
Hoverman, Vernon .....	Army Air Corps	McCollum, Eugene .....	Marines
Huefner, John .....	Army Air Corps	McCollum, Robert .....	
Humerickhouse, Bill .....	Army	McConahay, David .....	Marines
Hunter, Chester .....	Army		

McNew, Ray	Army	Rogers, Doyt	Navy
Medaugh, Clifford	Army	Rose, Everett	Navy
Medaugh, Gaylord	Army	Routt, Joseph	Army
Medaugh, Vernon	Army	Rowell, Donald	Army
Melheim, Keith	Army Air Corps	Royse, Leroy	Army
Meyette, Don	Army Air Corps	Rucklos, Harvey	Army
Miller, Dale	Army	Runnion, Dale	Army
Miller, Dave	Army	Runnion, Robert	Army
Miller, Dean	Army Air Corps	Russell, Don	Army
Miller, Donald	Navy	Salisbury, William	Marines
Miller, Robert	Army	Salsbury, Alva	Army Air Corps
Miller, Paul	Army	Sampsell, William	Army
Miller, Russel	Army	Schlatter, Fred	Army
Miller, William	Army	Scott, Donald	Army
Milligan, Robert	Navy	Scott, Leonard	Army
Mitchener, Frederick	Army	Scott, Paul	Army
Monday, Harvey	Army	Scott, Robert	Army
Morgan, Richard	Navy	Sells, Don	Navy
Morrison, Erwin	Army	Shaffer, Robert	Army
Mosier, Robert	Army Air Corps	Shack, Ted	Army
Muntzinger, Don	Army	Sharp, Theo	Killed in action
Myers, Albert	Army	Sharp, Russel	Navy
Myers, Joseph	Army	Shaw, Don	Navy Air Corps
Myers, Paul	Army	Shell, Robert	Army Air Corps
Myers, Robert	Army	Shick, Charles	Army
Myers, Schuyler	Navy	Shick, Philip	Army
Nicholas, Rex	Army	Shimp, Max	Army
Obenour, James	Army	Shock, James	Army
Oechsle, Donald	Army	Shoop, John	Army
Oswalt, John	Navy Air Corps	Showalter, Thomas	Marines
Painter, Mack	Army	Siders, Carl	Army
Palmer, Bob	Marines	Siders, Charles	Navy
Paullus, Ted	Army	Slane, Dale	Army
Pearson, Howard	Army	Sleesser, Gordon	Army
Perry, James	Navy	Snyder, Eldon	Army
Peters, Ralph	Army	Spahr, Thane	Army Air Corps (Gold)
Pettijohn, Richard	Army Air Corps	Spayd, George	Army
Pflum, Kenneth	Army	Springer, Dick	Navy
Pflum, Robert	Army	Springer, Gene	Navy
Pierson, Myron	Army	Starkey, Vaughn	Army
Poe, George	Army	Steele, Roger	Army
Poling, Glenn	Navy	Stegmeier, Kenneth	Army Air Corps
Pollock, Leo	Army Air Corps	Steinmetz, Richard	Army
Potter, Elmer	Navy	Steman, Doyt	Army Air Corps
Potter, James	Navy	Stetler, Don	Army
Preston, Richards	Marines	Stetler, Jack	Army
Preston, Thomas	Army	Stetler, Bernard	Army
Priddy, Joseph	Army	Stettler, Merl	Army
Prill, Harold E.	Army	Stettler, Robert	Army
Prill, Howard	Marines	Stittsworth, Chester	Army
Pritchard, Robert		Stittsworth, John	Army
Raider, Jack	Army	Stittsworth, Lawrence	Army
Rauch, Don	Army Air Corps	Stoops, James	Seabees
Rayer, Lelan	Navy	Stripe, Dale	Army
Reed, Oruentine	Army	Stripe, Wilbur P.	Army
Replogle, Paul L.	Army	Stuckey, John	Seabees
Rhodes, Don	Marines	Studebaker, Paul	Army
Rhodenbaugh, Lloyd	Army	Stump, Richard	Army
Ringer, Harold	Army		

Summersett, Everett .....	Army	Wermer, William .....	
Swartz, Elmer .....	Army	Wherry, Harry .....	Army Air Corps
Taylor, Doyt .....	Army Air Corps	Wilkie, William .....	Army
Terry, Clark .....	Army	Wilkinson, Dick .....	Army
(Honorable discharge)		Wilkinson, Howard .....	Army
Terry, Dale .....	Navy	Williams, Charles .....	Army
Terry, Laverne .....	Army	Williman, Maurice .....	Navy
Tester, Jack .....	Army	Wilson, Don .....	Army
Thomas, Charles .....	Army	Winters, Joseph .....	Coast Guard
Thomas, Lowayne .....	Army	Witten, Fred .....	Army
Thomas, Orville .....	Army	Wise, Howard .....	Army
Thomas, Thomas .....	Army	Wise, William .....	Army
Thompson, Walter .....		Wise, Perry George .....	Marines
Tindall, John .....	Army	Wolf, Don .....	Army
Tindall, Lawrence .....	Navy	Woodruff, Charles .....	Army
Tindall, Robert .....	Army	Woodruff, Maurice .....	Army
Tolan, Maurice .....	Army Air Corps	Wyandt, Gerald .....	Army
Towsy, Bill .....		Wyandt, Milo .....	Navy
Trapp, Richard .....	Army	Young, Lern .....	Army
Trippy, Richard .....	Army	Young, Ronald .....	Army Air Corps
Truax, John .....	Navy	Young, Theron .....	
Uhl, Donald .....	Army	Zinsmaster, Charles .....	Navy Air Corps
Uncapher, Perry .....	Army	Zinsmaster, Dean .....	Army
Unterbrink, Linus .....	Navy		
Urton, Jack .....	Army Air Corps	WOMEN IN THE SERVICE	
Varnfield, Cyrie .....	Army	Black, Esther .....	WACS
Vaske, Lawrence .....	Army	Finch, Betty .....	WAVES
Vikupitz, Eddie .....	Army	Fox, Eleanor .....	WAVES
Wagonrod, William .....	Army	Gribler, Margaret .....	WACS
Walls, John .....	Army	Hale, Bonnie .....	WAVES
Walters, Dale .....	Army	Hale, Irene .....	WAVES
Walters, Ed .....	Marines	Kenyon, Harriet .....	WASP
Walters, Sumner .....	Army	Knoll, Mildred .....	Army Nurse
Waltz, Carlos .....	Army	Landis, Frances .....	WAVES
Wandell, Eugene .....	Navy	Milligan, Norma Grace .....	WAVES
(Medical Discharge)		Pond, Anna Mae .....	WAVES
Weaver, McGuire .....	Army	Reid, Dorothy .....	WAVES
Webb, Mendell .....	Army Air Corps	Schaadt, Alice .....	WAVES
Weck, George .....	Army	Smith, Dorothy .....	WACS
Weiggler, Jack .....	Army	Strack, Louise .....	WACS
Welch, Neil .....	Army	Stripe, Harriet .....	WAVES
Wermer, Russell .....	Army	Wherry, Maxine .....	Army Nurse
		Zotz, Virginia .....	Marine



# Jokes

## COTTERMAN KNEW

Mr. Smith: "Bill Cotterman, by what other name was William the Conqueror called?"

Bill: "He was called 'Bill' by his most intimate friends."

## TAKE IT FROM US

There are meters of rhyme,  
And meters of tone,  
But the best of all meat,  
Is to meet her alone.

## THOSE NEW DAMES

Clyde: "Do you know how to do this new dance, 'Walking the Dog?'"

Dave: "Well, I don't know the steps, but I know the holts."

## TRYING TO FIND OUT

Mr. Gallapoo: "Were you copying his notes?"

He: "No, no Sir, I was only looking to see if he had mine right."

## DO YOU BLAME HIM

An English militant crusader strolled into a barn, where a young man was milking a cow. With a start she said,

"How is it you are not at the front?"

"Because there is no milk at that end," he replied.

## WHEN NOT TO BE NERVOUS

Beulah: "What is the most nervous thing in the world beside a girl?"

Pauline: "Some boy."

## ANNOYING

Miss Hall: "Now, what has that which you have said to do with my question?"

Ronald S.: "I was just wondering about that too."

## A CONFUSION

Mr. Baden: "Mr. Ross, tell me three words of the English language that are used most by students of this High School."

Paul R.: "I don't know."

Mr. Baden: "Correct."

## WHAT ABOUT THE I. C. C.

Pretty one at Prom (to a girl who is standing on her gown): "I beg your pardon, my train does not carry passengers."

Now comes the story of the absent-minded professor who rolled under the dresser and waited for the collar button to find him.

Chem. Prof.: "A Catalytic Agent is something which aids in the completion of a reaction without taking active part in the reaction itself. Now will some one illustrate?"

Bright student: "A glass egg."

Mr. Rauch: "These are not my own figures I'm quoting. They are the figures of a man who knows what he is talking about."

A valuable football player was up for oral examination in mathematics and philosophy.

Prof.: "How many sides has a circle?"

F. P.: "Two."

Prof.: "What are they?"

F. P.: "Inside and outside."

Prof.: "Very good. Does an effect ever go before a cause?"

F. P.: "Yes, sir."

Prof.: "Give an example."

F. P.: "A man wheeling a barrow."

Prof.: "Very good, You have passed in mathematics and philosophy."

Daughter: "I think there is company downstairs."

Son: "Why?"

Daughter: "I just heard mother laugh at one of father's jokes."

Joe: "Say, who's the fellow who wrote this book?"

Jack: "He's Dewey."

Joe: "Dewey, heck, he's all wet."

Wife: "I saw you kissing the cook yesterday."

Husband: "Ye-es dear."

Wife: "Were you trying to make her go or stay?"

Gib Smith: "Why were you absent at the last exercise?"

Gerald B.: "Here's my excuse. I fell and bruised my thigh."

Gib Smith (absent-mindedly): "Don't show me now—come into my office and I'll look at it."

## PATIENT INDEED

She: "I believe you could make love to a stick."

He: "I'm beginning to believe so myself."

## PRETTY HARD ON THE PATIENT

Doctor: "Pardon me, but before beginning this work, I must have my drill."

Patient: "Sakes alive, can't you pull a tooth without a rehearsal?"

## SEE

Chappie: "I can't understand why those beastly Germans insist on spelling 'culture' with a 'k'."

Cornie: "Easy, my boy, den't you see they are obliged to use a 'k' because the Allies have control of all the 'seas'."

"It's a hot place under the earth's crust, as we'll all find out later."

Barbara B.: "I've had a terrible warning of approaching death. I bought one of those lifetime fountain pens. It's broken."

R. Peters: "Remember that basketball develops individuality, initiative, and leadership. Now get in there and do exactly as I tell you."

She: "Will your people be unstrung when you get home and tell them you're busted?"

He: "Oh, no, I wired them last night."

Jim S.: "Oh, I've broken a rule."  
Miss Armstrong: "Never mind, my dear, Mr. Baden will make you another one."

Ding: "This tonic is no good."  
Dong: "What is the matter?"  
Ding: "All the directions it gives are for adults and I never had them."

Frank: "I don't see how you tell those Smith twins apart."  
Ank: "That's easy. Mabel always blushes when we meet."

Miss Bock conducting her class in shorthand: "What is your idea of a good business letter?"  
Joe Morgan: "Something like the modern woman's costume—short enough to be interesting and long enough to cover the necessary points."

Advice to the perpetual women daters—Don't get your lines tangled or the poor fish may get away.

#### STILL MORE SENTIMENTAL

He met her in the meadow  
As the sun was sinking low,  
They strolled along together,  
In the twilight of afterglow.  
She waited while gallantly  
He lowered all the bars,  
Her soft eyes beamed upon him  
As radiant as the stars:  
But she neither smiled nor thanked him,  
For indeed, she knew not how,  
Since he was but a country boy,  
And she—a Jersey cow.

#### A RISING TROUBLE

"Say, Doc, I need something for my stomach quick."  
"What are your symptoms?"  
"Well, every few minutes something seems to rise up, then set me back again, and by and by rise up again."  
"Look here, you haven't swallowed an elevator, have you?"

#### SURE OF IT

Dick Showalter: "I wish to ask you a question about a tragedy."  
Miss Borden: "Yes, go ahead."  
Dick S.: "What is my grade?"

#### AT THE PARTY

He: "I'm so sorry I missed that opportunity to kiss you."  
She: "Oh, don't feel bad about it, there will be others."

Dr.: "What is peculiar about a turtle's head?"  
Puzzled Student: "I don't know, except it's all bone."  
Dr.: "So is yours."

Mr. Clifton: "Did you see Santa Claus last night?"  
Jack: "No, but I heard what he said when he stubbed his toe on the bed."

He (angrily): "Now, I see through you completely."

She: "Well, that's only because there is a bright sun."

It was midnight. They had been married a little over a year. "Wow-wow-wow-wow," wailed the baby.

"Four bawls and I walk," quoth the player father in mutual distress, as he arose from his bed and took the infant in his arms.

Ruth R.: "How kind of you to brig me these flowers. They are so fresh, and there is some dew on them yet."

Dave B. (guiltily): "Yes, there is a little bit due, but I'll pay that right up."

#### K 1 + 2 S = KISS

It is a conjugate. The motion takes place rapidly in the absence of light. It has a sweet taste and ethereal odor. When taken in small quantities it produces a blissful sensation; but in larger quantities it has a nauseous effect. It is soluble in distilled moonlight and is best precipitated in the absence of humanity. The presence of a catalytic agent, such as love, increases the speed and temperature of the reaction. The reaction, therefore, is exothermic in the presence of the catalytic agent.

"No Tipping" read a sign in a restaurant. Beneath it was a small, neat sign saying, "The above opinion and idea is that of the company and does not necessarily represent the opinion of the employees."

First One: "The other night I heard a burglar in the house. You should have seen me going down stairs three at a clip."

Second One: "Where was the burglar, on the roof?"

#### WHO PUT IT THERE

Peg B.: "I heard something this morning which opened my eyes."  
Ruth R.: "So did I—an alarm clock."

#### LIES

Love lies in a woman's eyes—and lies and lies and lies.

Barbara B.: "How was my speech."  
Barbara S.: "Fine. When you sat down, every one said it was the finest thing you ever did."

He: "I have a friend who suffers terribly from the heat."

She: "Where is he living?"

He: "He isn't living."

Coach Smith: "I went into a dry goods store the other day to get some stockings for my wife, and said to the young woman at the counter: 'How high do your stockings come?'"

Coach Peters: "Well, what of it?"

Coach Smith: "She told me it was none of my business."

Mr. Katterheinrich: "Fools can ask so many questions wise men can't answer them."

Tom G.: "That's what happened on that test you gave us the other day."

1st boy: "What's that tooth brush for?"

2nd boy: "It's my class pin. I graduated from Colgate."

Bill: "Is she modest?"

Dick: "Modest! Why, she can't even watch a pool game."

Bill: "What's the reason?"

Dick: "She blushes every time the balls kiss."

Jim Stover (holding hands over girl's eyes): "If you can't guess who this is in three guesses, I'll kiss you."

Ginny Olberding: "Jack Frost, Davy Jones, Santa Claus."

The American Society of Phrenologists, at its recent meeting in Philadelphia, prepared for circulation a list of terms that may be used synonymously for "hit on the head," thus conferring a great favor on those who are always looking for something new.

Here they are:

Dubbed on the Dome  
Topped on the Conk  
Bumped on the Buzer  
Biffed on the Coco  
Busted on the Cranium  
Whiffed on the Skull  
Cracked on the Nut  
Nailed on the Knob  
Slugged on the Belfrey  
Lammed on the Peak  
Dinged on the Brain Box  
Use your choice.

—Ed.

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Best dressed Senior girl.....	Jackie Mahan
Best dressed Senior boy.....	Earl Barson
Best looking Senior girl.....	Vivian Wise
Best looking Senior boy.....	Virgil Maxson
Senior girl with best figure.....	Marjora Fiser
Senior boy with best physique.....	Clyde Coon
Friendliest Senior girl.....	Virginia Olberding
Friendliest Senior boy.....	Jack Clifton
Most studious Senior girl.....	Mary Hofmann
Most studious Senior boy.....	Paul Ross
Best girl athlete.....	Mary Eschbach
Best boy athlete.....	Clide Ford
Most popular Senior girl.....	Peg Bernheisel
Most popular Senior boy.....	Vernon Palmer
Biggest Senior wolfess.....	June Conley
Biggest Senior wolf.....	James Stover
Senior girl most likely to succeed.....	Barbara Beard
Senior boy most likely to succeed.....	Richard Ireton
Senior girl with best personality.....	Yvonne Leatherman
Senior boy with best personality.....	Robert Brubaker

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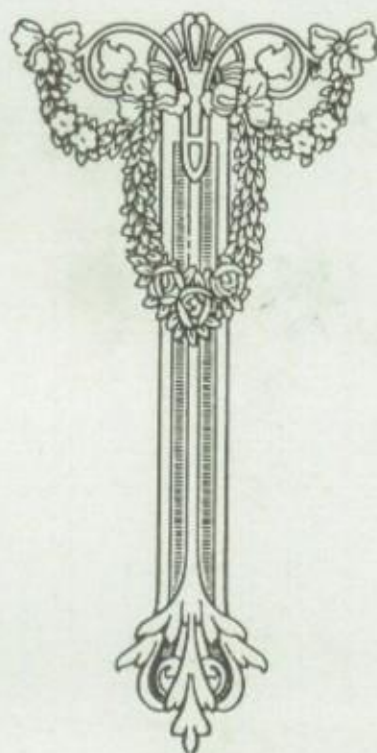
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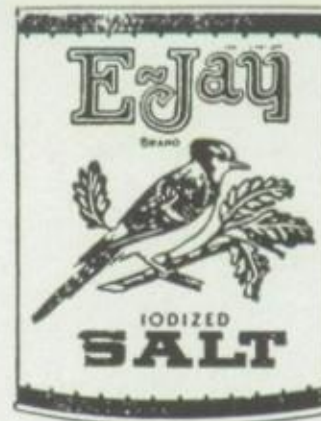


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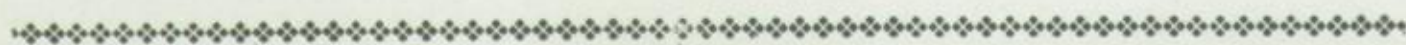


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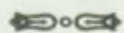
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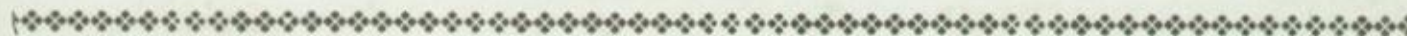


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